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Clinton sends in troops to restore democracy after Carter brokers peace deal

US takes Haiti without a shot

FROM TOM RHODES IN PORT-AU-PRINCE AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

UNITED States troops landed in Haiti without a shot being fired yesterday to begin their mission to restore democracy to the impoverished Caribbean nation.

As AC130 gunships clattered in the skies keeping constant patrol over the capital, Port-au-Prince, Cobra and Black Hawk helicopters unloaded a vanguard of soldiers from the 10th Mountain Division to secure the international airport. Hundreds of Haitians gathered to watch the incoming forces, some cheering, others apparently apprehensive.

In all, up to 15,000 Americans are on their way. The first troops to land stepped carefully from the helicopters clutching automatic rifles. They were met by Haitian military commanders on the tarmac.

The troops were followed by General Hugh Shelton, field commander for the Haiti operation and former head of the 82nd Airborne division. His first task was to meet Lieutenant General Raoul Cédras, leader of the military junta, who had agreed to relinquish power under an agreement reached the previous night.

Outside the military headquarters in Port-au-Prince, General Shelton described their discussions as cordial. He said: "General Cédras was very co-operative. We have been very warmly received by the military and the Haitian people.

"We are not an occupying force. We are here to assist the Haitian people in restoring their legitimate government. Our mission here is to prevent civil disturbances." He added that troops would enter Port-au-Prince yesterday only to ensure security in the capital, but he made no mention of others who had been expected to land at Cap-Haitien to the north.

At dawn, two United States warships and a smaller Coast Guard cutter slid into the capital's port to safeguard the country's main harbour. Almost all the watching Haitians felt that finally they were witnessing the transition they had prayed for since Jean-Bertrand Aristide, their elected President, was ousted in September 1991.

Thousands of other Haitians, including members of the military, had already fled to the mountains. They had been expecting the Americans to land in force.

In the meantime, in New York, members of the United Nations Security Council were expected to meet yesterday afternoon to discuss the lifting of the crippling American-led embargo on trade with Haiti.

Although, the initial landings appeared to run smoothly, there was still concern among American officials that the situation was entirely fluid. Emile Jonaissant, president of the de facto government, who had appealed for calm, made a radio statement yesterday describing the American army's arrival as a training exercise.

The agreement made between former President Carter and General Cédras and General Philippe Biamby, the Haitian army Chief of Staff, had been opposed by others in the military junta. Colonel Michel François, the third leading member of the junta, had not been party to the marathon talks with the American delegation which had included General Colin Powell, former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Senator Sam Nunn.

Colonel François was said yesterday to have gone into "virtual hiding" after the deal was struck late on Sunday.

The accord was not signed by either General Cédras or General Biamby and neither is actually named: equally, there is no mention of Mr Aristide or when he is to return to govern the country. The junta has agreed to step down by October 15 or as soon as an amnesty law is passed by the Haitian parliament to protect the army and its supporters from retribution. Political observers think it unlikely that such a law will be passed.

The fact that none of the leading high command is required to leave the country has renewed fears among supporters of Mr Arisitide that General Cédras will renege on the deal. In Washington President Clinton was forced to contradict his own top officials by admitting that under the terms of Sunday night's agreement Haiti's military leaders would quite probably not leave the country when they surrender power in four weeks' time. Critics contended that this important concession would make it far harder for American toops to build a lasting peace in a country where the past three years of military repression have engendered such deep bitterness and emnity. President Aristide, in Washington, signalled his displeasure by saying nothing.

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JOHN McCONNICO



In the first wave of US landings, Blackhawk helicopters take off after unloading soldiers on the tarmac at Port-au-Prince airport yesterday

No British role

Douglas Hurd said in Tokyo that if there had been an invasion Britain would have played a naval role but now it would not be involved

New talks lift hopes of peace in rail dispute

BY PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

FRESH talks on the rail signal workers' dispute will take place today with hopes high of a settlement being reached.

But leaders of the RMT rail union yesterday set new strikes for Thursday and Friday next week, in addition to the 24-hour stoppage planned this Friday, and called a separate strike, also for Friday next week, on London Underground. However, it seems highly likely that all the strikes called for next week will be averted.

Officials from the conciliation service Acas last night contacted RMT leaders and senior Railtrack managers about talks today after the RMT's executive approved a call from the union's signal workers for parallel negotiations on their 11 per cent pay claim for past productivity improvements and Railtrack's offer of a restructuring package to cover future efficiency gains.

Insisting that the union's decision was not a climbdown, the RMT said that it had taken an initiative to to reach a negotiated settlement, and that Railtrack should match the union's responsible attitude.

Jimmy Knapp, the RMT general secretary, said that the decision did not mean a settlement was around the corner. The union said it would be premature to consider lifting Friday's strike, and the law required that seven days' notice be given of stoppages. Mr Knapp said: "The sooner we can get down to negotiations, the sooner the threat of future action can be removed."

Last night, Railtrack said it was keen to begin negotiations on restructuring. The company said of the RMT decision: "If this is a way forward, we will welcome it," but it described as "unfortunate" the calling of further strikes.

Lib Dems vote to legalise cannabis

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY AND ALICE THOMSON

LIBERAL Democrats voted last night to decriminalise the use of cannabis in a shock decision that will undermine Paddy Ashdown's drive to woo disgruntled Tory voters.

The party's annual conference in Brighton voted by 426 votes to 375 in favour of ending prosecution for the use and possession of cannabis, despite appeals from party leaders not to act precipitately.

The decision by the party rank-and-file gave the government and Labour ammunition for their claims that the centre party is soft on crime and in thrall to its "loony fringe".

Paddy Ashdown, the Lib-Dem leader, who will face another test today when the conference holds a debate on scrapping the monarchy, left the dais before the vote was counted. He indicated that he would ignore his activists. Alan Beith, the deputy leader, said that all 23 MPs had voted against the move.

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Glasgow bus driver had fatal crash two weeks ago

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

THE 25-year-old driver of the bus which crashed into a railway bridge in Glasgow killing four people and seriously injuring seven children on Sunday night had passed his bus driving test less than six months ago. He had been involved in another fatal crash a fortnight earlier.

Yesterday police were questioning the unnamed driver from the bus company, Clydeside 2000. A report is expected to be sent to the Procurator Fiscal and an inquiry into the crash is likely.

A ten-year-old girl died in hospital in the early hours of yesterday morning, taking the death toll to four. Yesterday police named the dead as: Mary McGreskin, 39; Rena Dougall, 47; Catherine McKnight, 10; and Margaret Riddick, 10. They were all from the Drumchapel area of Glasgow.

The bus, a double-decker over 13ft tall was sliced in two at seat level when it went under a 10ft 6in bridge in West Street. It had been hired by two troops of girl guides who were returning from a day out at Butlins in Ayr. Mrs

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Margaret Riddick, 10, who died in the crash



Catherine McKnight, 10, who also died

Major predicts booming Britain

In his most upbeat assessment of the economy John Major told an audience of British businessmen in Saudi Arabia that Britain was "at the threshold of an economic recovery unlike any we have seen since the Second World War"..... Page 2

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Tom King to head parliamentary spy watchdog



King: has had contact with all secret services

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major is expected to appoint Tom King, the former Defence Secretary, to head a new parliamentary committee overseeing the security and intelligence services.

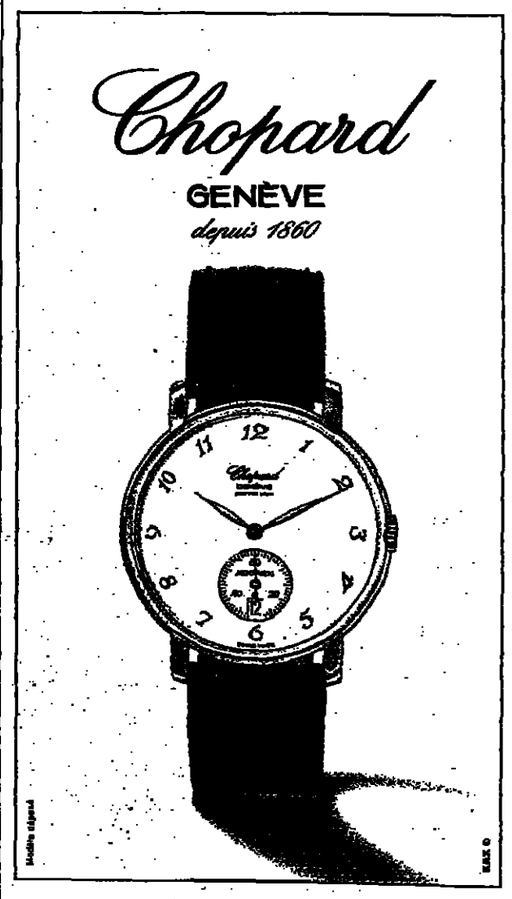
Nine members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords are to be appointed to the committee, which will examine the expenditure, administration and policy of MI5, MI6 and GCHQ, the communications monitoring service at Cheltenham.

The setting up of a committee, which will provide the first parliamentary review of the secret services since they were founded early this century, was included in the Intelligence Services Act given the Royal Assent in May.

Mr King is understood to have been among a small number of senior backbenchers considered for the sensitive post of chairman. Under the Act, the choice of all the members, including the chairman, is the prerogative of the Prime Minister after consultation with Tony Blair, the Labour leader.

Mr King's background as Defence Secretary and as Northern Ireland Secretary made him an obvious candidate. As Northern Ireland Secretary, in particular, he would have had close contact with all three services. In deciding the composition of the rest of thecommittee, Mr Major will be expected by MPs and the services themselves to achieve a balance that will ensure rigorous oversight without reducing effectiveness.

One of the committee's priorities is expected to be an examination of the changing role of the services in the light of the end of the Cold War and the IRA's ceasefire.



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LibDems grasp an issue of substance

MATTHEW PARRIS
POLITICAL SKETCH

Look hard at the Liberal Democrat logo and forget that it is the bird of freedom. It really does look remarkably like an unrolled spliff. It was very much in this spirit that, here in Brighton, the party has voted to decriminalise cannabis.

But then Liberals have always favoured minority causes. All across the conference centre and around the town, the love that dare not speak its name whispers insistently in secluded corners. Truly, the emotional pull that Liberal Democrats feel towards Tony Blair, though booed on the platform, haunts every closet. I am sure I saw Margaret Beckett, disguised as a barmaid, serving drinks at the Grand last night.

Paddy denies it. Wearing his celebrated "I suffer but I go on" look, eyes narrowed to the flinty slits of one who has stared too long into the sun of a glorious Liberal tomorrow, Captain Ashdown kicked off with a press conference. He yearned, he said, to discuss "issues of substance". But nobody wanted to ask him about anything but his party's secret obsession. Smilingly, journalists call him Paddy, and he calls them Phil, or Nick. Then they ask the rudest questions. "Do you still matter?" asks Nick (or was it Phil?) of Paddy. Paddy responded with a loving glance. "We don't believe you, Paddy," said the second questioner. Welcomed to the seaside with the suggestion that he didn't matter, or was a liar, or both, lesser men would have packed up and gone home. But the Captain is made of sterner stuff.

Wearily he tried again to explain, in that pained, compassionate way that resembles Our Lord taunted by Pharisees, what he meant by "equidistance" from the two major parties.

Equidistance, like proportional representation, has too many syllables to fit into a stick of Brighton rock, or a media person's head, so the Captain is unlikely to get far with it. Phil (or was it Nick?) put it to him that "two of your most senior colleagues are suffering a crisis of confidence". One of those thus accused is Baroness Williams of Crosby — she of the alluring 30-Capstans-a-day voice. Every Liberal Democrat needs a mother-figure and with the massive and wonderful Baroness Seear now well into her 80s, Lady Williams bids fair to inherit the Seear brassière, though none will ever fill it. Lady Williams spoke on Sunday evening. "I'm very happy to remain in the party I belong to," she husked. Everyone clapped. Only among Liberal Democrats could the news that someone is not leaving be a matter for applause.

She was joined by Anita Roddick, Paddy Ashdown and David Chidgey. What, we mused, could these people have in common? Two of them — Roddick and Ashdown — control businesses whose stocks have plummeted recently. And with Lady Williams they share the anxiety of ageing ideological pin-ups in danger of being out-flanked. Was this a mutual support group?

"You can bring your heart to work with you!" declared Ms Roddick, later revealing to a bemused audience that there exists a splendid tribe where the highest aim of men is to be reincarnated as women. This coded message of support for Liberal Democrat cross-dressers met a confused reception, many failing, and others retching, in the attempt to picture Paddy as Patricia.

"It's terrifically moving," trilled Anita, "to see little crocodile lines of kids going round the work place offering organically-grown apples to their mums and dads."

"I think I'm going to be sick," whispered the man behind me. "I wonder if you know how much that will have inspired millions of people," gushed Mr Ashdown.

It certainly inspired Mrs Williams. Paddy looked ecstatic. All threegrinned, teeth clenched, from the big table. Paddy Ashdown, Anita Roddick, Lady Williams and David Chidgey MP (Eastleigh). Dinner party from hell.

And now drugs. They speak in horror here of substances that bend the mind, wreck judgment and sever links with reality. They speak of crack and LSD. Nobody has mentioned the most potent hallucinogen of all: Liberal Democracy.

Major proclaims historic turning point for economy

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER IN ABU DHABI

JOHN Major declared yesterday that Britain was at an "historic turning point", as he gave his most upbeat assessment of the economy since the last general election.

The Prime Minister chose an audience of British businessmen in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to assert that Britain was "at the threshold of an economic recovery unlike any we have seen since the Second World War".

But he also gave a strong signal that he was prepared to see further interest rate rises to contain inflation and ensure that the recovery was not "wrecked" by overheating. In his first detailed comments on last week's surprise 0.5 percentage-point rise in interest rates, Mr Major said: "We are going to take no risks whatever with inflation." He said that the Government would do whatever was needed to ensure the recovery lasted.

His remarks confirmed indications that the tough line taken by Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, last week in raising interest rates and warning of further rises was as much driven by Downing Street as by the Treasury.

Mr Major's decision to hail the recovery in such outspoken terms marked a break with the cautious approach adopted by ministers since the "green shoots" detected by Norman Lamont, the former Chancellor, failed to materialise.

The Prime Minister's bullish line was backed last night by Howard Davies, director-general of the Confederation of British Industry, who is with Mr Major on his week-long trip to the Gulf and South Africa.

Mr Davies said the CBI's view was very positive and its surveys showed the highest level of business confidence since 1988. The CBI was also optimistic about the economy, although Mr Davies suggested the Prime Minister's language might be more "colourful and hyperbolic" than he would have chosen. He also appeared relaxed about Mr Major's warnings on interest rates, suggesting that the CBI expected rates to reach between 6 and 7 per cent in 1995. "Rates might have to go up but not very much," he said. "We do not think the inflationary pressures are very strong."



Davies: backed Major's bullishness

Mr Major's remarks follow a decision by the political session of the Cabinet last week to concentrate the Tory message in the weeks up to and during the party conference next month on the recovery for which strategists believe the Government has gained scant credit. Mr Major said "the scale of the opportunities that lie immediately ahead of us are not wholly appreciated".

He said: "We are determined that this is going to be a recovery without inflation, a recovery that will last, a recovery that will act as a spur for exporters to capture and hold foreign markets."

All the indicators showed that the recovery was happening, with output rising, the fastest industrial production in the European Union, rising investment and falling unemployment. "Of course not every statistic on every occasion is going to be a good one. This is not the way the real world works, but overall the direction is perfectly clear. Britain is clearly on course for a long-term economic recovery based on sustainable growth, low inflation and sound public finances."

Then came his warning on interest rates: "We are determined to keep it that way. Almost every previous economic recovery we have seen has been wrecked by overheating. Time and again, frustratingly, when things start seeming to go right they suddenly go too right too quickly and we have headed off into difficulties again.

"I am determined not to allow this recovery to be endangered in this way. We are going to take no risks whatever with inflation. The British public and British business require stability and predictability in their household budgets, mortgage repayments, investment decisions and export pricing.

"It is only when they have confidence in those things that they will be able to take decisions with confidence in the future. That was the reason last week we moved to raise interest rates."

Mr Major said "short-termism" was not going to be an option. "We are playing for the long term: long-term prosperity, long-term jobs and long-term growth. The Government will do whatever it can and whatever it needs to ensure that it is continuing."

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Halifax mortgage rate rises to 8.1%

THE Halifax, Britain's largest mortgage lender, yesterday raised its mortgage rate to 8.1 per cent from 7.64 per cent with immediate effect for new borrowers and from October 1 for existing borrowers. Savings rates will "follow in due course", the Halifax said in a statement yesterday. Barclays Bank also raised its standard variable mortgage rate to 8.1 per cent. The increases were announced in the ewake of last week's 0.5 percentage point rise in the Bank of England's base rate to 5.75 per cent. National Savings has announced a series of new issues for fixed-interest products..... Details, page 25



A survivor of the Borneo exercise is helped from a Malaysian Air Force helicopter

Army rethinks guidelines for adventure training

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

NEW guidelines for Army adventure training expeditions will be published today after an inquiry into the rescue of five soldiers who went missing for more than three weeks in the Borneo jungle.

The Army board of inquiry's 800-page report is expected to be critical of the fitness of several members of the ten-man team which became split during appalling weather. Five of the soldiers succeeded in completing a perilous 2,000ft descent into Low's Gulley on Mount Kinabalu, southeast Asia's highest mountain. They emerged safely from the jungle, although one had fallen 60ft and was badly concussed.

The other five, led by the expedition commander, Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Neill of the Royal Logistics Corps, and his deputy, Major Ron Foster, a Territorial Army officer, decided against continuing and waited to be rescued along with three Hong Kong soldiers.

The report is expected to be critical of the decision by the Chinese soldiers to abandon some of the rations as they were climbing the mountain. By the time they were rescued, they had had to survive for five days without food. The team had brought rations for only ten days. By the time they were rescued they had been missing for 29 days.

The official report, which includes long interviews with each of the expedition members, is not being published in full. Only the board's findings will be released. Although preparations for the expedition are understood to receive only muted criticism, fresh guidelines have been recommended to ensure that fitness and competence tests are rigorously applied.

Universities face recruitment slump

Some universities are planning to head off a damaging slump in student recruitment as at least 5,000 higher education vacancies remained yesterday. Most places are expected to be filled by the start of the academic year next week, but Dr Noël Morrison, head of admissions at South Bank University in London, said: "We will be taking steps to ensure that we retain our market share next year. We are planning to advertise more and use direct mail, as well as doing more promotional work in schools and colleges."

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Tunnel set to open

Eurotunnel will begin phasing in a full service for its Channel Tunnel tourist trains from mid-November, 18 months later than planned. Only selected passengers will be carried from October 3 to November 15, after which the company should receive its operating certificate.

The Tunnel now standing, page 29

Drug killed girlfriend

A man was jailed for 12 months yesterday for supplying the drug Ecstacy to his 17-year-old girlfriend, who died in hospital the same evening. Steven Mitchell, 23, of Bothwell, Strathclyde, gave the five tablets to Donna Sime during a party at her home, Hamilton Sheriff Court was told. Miss Sime's mother shouted in court: "I hope you rot in hell."

Jail chief criticised

Staff at a Durham high security jail, where a gun and ammunition were discovered last week, have passed a no confidence vote in Ray Mitchell, the governor, saying they fear for their safety. They are angry that Mr Mitchell refused to order a second search when rumours of another weapon circulated 24 hours after the find.

Death crash man guilty

A lorry driver was jailed for 15 months after being convicted at Hereford Crown Court of causing the deaths of five women by dangerous driving on the M50. Peter Young, 47, was trying to jump a queue of traffic at 61mph when he hit a Ford Fiesta, killing four nurses inside. A passenger in another car also died.

Faulds to quit as MP

Andrew Faulds, the Labour MP and former actor, announced last night that he will stand down at the next general election. The 71-year-old MP for Warley East, who is regarded as one of the great parliamentary characters, was in a car crash last month while on holiday in Cyprus, severely damaging his left knee.

BR to sell Old Masters

The British Rail pension fund is to sell 17 Old Master paintings at Sotheby's in London on December 7, it was announced yesterday. The sale is expected to raise £5 million. The fund has 200,000 pensioners. Its art investment portfolio represents about 1.5 per cent of its total investment, worth approximately £80 million.

Train driver jailed

A British Rail driver who was found in a drunken stupor in his stationary passenger train, with his feet propped against the controls, was jailed for six months by Highgate magistrates. George Murray, 34, of Camden, north London, admitted being unfit while in charge of a train on July 2 between South Tottenham and Harringay stations.

Fewer elephants killed

Elephant poaching has slumped dramatically during the past five years after a worldwide ban on the trade in ivory and skins, a report claims today. In Kenya, where 5,000 animals a year were being slaughtered illegally before 1989, the number of elephants poached has been cut to 50, the London-based Environmental Investigation Agency said.

Sentence 'too lenient'

Kerry Still, 35, and his brother Andrew McAllister, 31, from Wrexham, Clwyd, who killed a pensioner by firing a marine distress rocket at a football match, could receive longer jail sentences. The Attorney-General has agreed to refer their case for a review by Appeal Court judges on the grounds that their three-year prison term was too lenient.

Young mother jailed

A young mother who gave her cousin's name when she was stopped for driving without road tax was jailed for a month yesterday at Portsmouth Crown Court. Carol Bow, 21, from Denmead, Hampshire, a single parent with a two-year-old daughter, collapsed in the dock as sentence was passed. She admitted perverting the course of justice.

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Glasgow driver's second fatal crash

Dougall's two daughters, Andrena, 19, and Olivia, 17, were on the same bus and found their mother's body in the wreckage. The girls were saved because they were sitting downstairs. Their mother had been on the top deck supervising.

Joe McKnight, the father of Catherine McKnight, revealed yesterday that he had endured a desperate five-hour wait before he found out that his daughter was dead. Mr McKnight arrived at St Andrew's Church at 6.30pm to collect his daughter. When news of the accident came through he went to West Street and then toured the hospitals but did not discover that his daughter was among the dead until 11.30pm.

"We are shattered," he said. "We can't understand why the bus went the way it did. It should have come back the way it went."

Six other young girls were seriously injured in the crash and remain in a stable condition in hospital. Most of the them have head injuries. The less seriously injured from among the 22 children and seven adults were discharged on Sunday night.

Prayers were said yesterday for the dead girls and for Louise Gallie, one of the injured, at their school, Pinewood Primary School in Drumchapel. Many of the children were in tears at the morning assembly. "The whole school community is shocked and stunned by the tragic death of two lovely pupils," said Mary Brownlie, the headmistress.

Alistair Mackie, commercial director of Clydeside 2000, said that the driver of the bus had not been to blame for the crash a fortnight ago when his empty bus collided with a car as he was leaving the company's depot in Thornliebank, Glasgow. The driver of the car died and the accident is the subject of a report to the Procurator Fiscal.

☐ The driver of a coach which crashed near Bristol, killing a Royal Marines bandsman and injuring 45 others, had steered towards a 20ft motorway embankment in a bid to avoid stationary cars and people on the road.

Sinn Fein leader rejects Major's call for referendum as premature

BY NICHOLAS WATT, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT, PHILIP WEBSTER, AND IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

GERRY Adams yesterday rejected John Major's plan for a referendum on the future of Northern Ireland as "premature and presumptuous".

In his first public comment since Friday, when the Prime Minister lifted the broadcasting ban on Sinn Fein, Mr Adams said the Government's position was at odds with international opinion.

The Sinn Fein president said: "The six-county statelet [Northern Ireland] is an artificial and gerrymandered political entity with an inbuilt and permanent Unionist majority. The British Government's imposed veto based on this artificial majority is undemocratic and unacceptable." He said decisions on how to measure agreement should be reached in negotiations which should begin as soon as possible.

However, Mr Adams said the lifting of the broadcasting ban and the announcement that some cross-border roads would be re-opened were "a small but welcome step by the British Government". But he added: "The process of demilitarisation must be accelerated. All border roads should be re-opened immediately and compensation paid to local communities [which] have been detrimentally affected."

Mr Adams's forthright rejection of one of the pillars of Mr Major's peace proposals shows the obstacles that will face officials once they start exploratory talks with Sinn Fein if the Government is satisfied that the IRA ceasefire is permanent.

Yesterday, Mr Major edged further towards acceptance of the ceasefire. Questioned during his visit to Saudi Arabia, he said the IRA were "very close" to providing the assurances that London had sought since the announcement more than two weeks ago.

The Prime Minister said that the IRA had said that they had given up violence in all circumstances and "I hope that is true".

Mr Adams criticised the assessment by Albert Reynolds, the Irish Prime Minister, that Irish unity would not come about in the next 20 years. Mr Adams said: "There are a number of models upon which ... Irish jurisdiction could be based. Sinn Fein wants to see a 32-county republic. This is also Fianna Fail party policy. While there may be varied views on the length of time involved, I am sure Mr Reynolds would not wish to delay such a development."



Adams: said province "artificial entity"

Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland Secretary, said that it was realistic of Mr Reynolds to consider the timetable for a united Ireland. However, he added that equally Irish unity might not happen if the people of Northern Ireland wanted to remain in the United Kingdom.

Speaking in Londonderry, Sir Patrick also echoed Mr Reynolds's comment that the Army would not remain in Northern Ireland if the ceasefire held. He said that the Army was in the Province to support the RUC, adding: "When the RUC are able to do the policing duties without the help of the Army then I think everybody would be pleased about that."

John Hume, leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, yesterday flew to Washington to brief Congress and the Clinton administration on the way ahead after the IRA ceasefire and to encourage US initiatives for investment in Northern Ireland. Today he is expected to see Vice-President Gore. Mr Hume has visited Washington regularly for about twenty years.

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Lover of mother and daughter 'killed after sex'

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

A MOTHER and daughter who shared the same man's bed plotted to kill him when his violent temper and sexual abuse became intolerable, the Old Bailey was told yesterday.

The body of Michael White, 22, whose behaviour "was like an animal", was found in a wooden box floating in the Grand Union Canal nearly four months after he disappeared.

He had allegedly been lured to the home of Linda Bowman, 42, and her daughter Sarah, 22, where he was killed the morning after a night of champagne and three-in-a-bed sex involving the elder woman and another of his girlfriends in an hotel.

Martin Heslop, for the prosecution, told the court that before Mr White's body was found the two defendants had embarked on a campaign to make it appear that they were the victims of his disappearance.

The two women, who share a home in Thornton Heath, southeast London, denied conspiracy with others to murder Mr White between January 1 and February 2 last year and conspiring to pervert the course of justice.

On February 1 last year Mr White left the home he shared with his mother in Brixton, south London, to go to the Bowmans' house and was never seen alive again. His body had been placed in the box in the foetal position, wrapped in a sheet of polythene with two plastic shopping bags over his head, and weighted with concrete after he had been repeatedly struck over the head with a hammer. The box surfaced on the canal at Harlesden, northwest London, after it had been damaged by a boat.

Mr White met Sarah Bowman in 1986 and she became pregnant by him the following October when she was 15,



White: "behaved like an animal"

giving birth to their daughter Hayley. The couple lived together but their relationship soon deteriorated and Sarah returned to her mother's house.

Mr White continued to visit and they resumed their sexual relationship. Then in 1990 he began an affair with Linda Bowman. The relationship was marked by frequent severe beatings and he occasionally also turned on her daughter.

Linda Bowman gave in to Mr White's demands for money, paying £2,500 for a Ford Orion car for him, and was eventually spending £600 a month entertaining him and his other women.

Mr Heslop said: "She became more and more desperate. She told a friend that Mr White would not leave her alone and that she was scared of him and that at one stage she would have to leave the country. She said she didn't know why she put up with it and that she would have to kill him."

On January 29 last year Mrs Bowman took Mr White to celebrate her forthcoming birthday with Leonie Finnigan, another of his girlfriends, to the King's Head, Norwood, south London, where they drank heavily.

Mrs Bowman then booked a room for all three at the Queen's Head Hotel at Crystal Palace, using a false name. There she bought two bottles of champagne before all three got involved in sex.

Later that night, when Mr White demanded more sex, Mrs Bowman refused and he beat her with his belt. Mr Heslop said: "It was this beating which we suggest was the final straw. They were driven to the desperate measure of getting rid of him once and for all by killing him."

The next morning Mrs Bowman drove Mr White and the other woman to his home, clearly showing the signs of her beating.

Mr White was lured to Mrs Bowman's home at about 9am the following Monday where, it was alleged, he was killed in the hall and disposed of in the canal.

Mrs Bowman reported Mr White missing to police three days later and a missing person's inquiry was begun. Interviews were given to the press and posters printed with the words of the two women: "We fear the worst has happened to him."

Mrs Bowman told police she "treated him like a son" and her daughter told a press conference: "I want to know where he is so I can tell my little girl what happened to her father."

After the discovery of the body on May 29 last year police found blue carpet fibres on electrical insulating tape that had been used to attach a bag around Mr White's head.

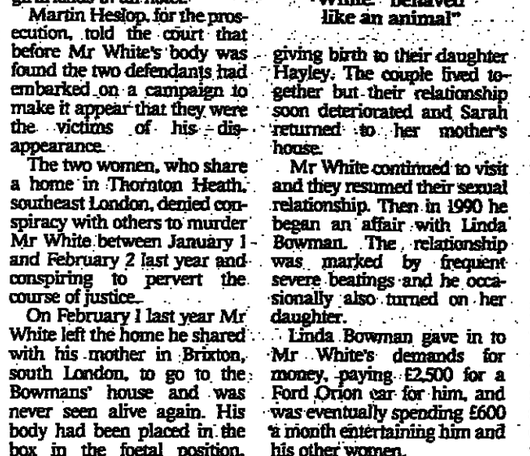
A new blue carpet had been fitted in the defendants' home on January 30. It was unaccountably removed days later, never to be found, and replaced by another new carpet on February 20. Police traced the roll from which the defendants' order had been cut. Fibres from it matched those found on the insulating tape.

Ms Finnigan, 20, from Bournemouth, told the jury that she had seen him hit Mrs Bowman occasionally.

During their "threesome" Mrs Bowman had awoken to discover Mr White making love to Ms Finnigan and become jealous.

Ms Finnigan said: "She said she wanted to go home. He said it was too late. She got mad and started putting her clothes on. He told her to take them off and started striking her with his belt. It was only two licks. I think it left marks. She was shouting, 'I want to go home'."

The case continues.



Linda Bowman, left, and her daughter Sarah, who were simultaneously Mr White's lovers



ADRIAN BROOKS

Elizabeth Forsyth, an aide to the fugitive businessman Asil Nadir, arriving at Holborn police station yesterday to meet investigators from the Serious Fraud Office. Mrs Forsyth had voluntarily flown from the unofficial Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus four years after the SFO raided Audley Management, Mr Nadir's company, of which she was chairman (Lin Jenkins writes). She was interviewed under caution. A warrant for her arrest had not been issued.

Mr Nadir, who jumped bail last year and went to Northern Cyprus, faces charges of theft and false accounting.

Mrs Forsyth left the police station after six hours, avoiding reporters. The SFO said she was not arrested or charged.

Gerulaitis, 40, found dead in US resort

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

VITAS Gerulaitis, the American tennis star whose exuberant playing style was matched by a reckless and flamboyant life off the court, has been found dead in the exclusive American resort of Southampton on Long Island.

Despite a long and public history of drug abuse, Gerulaitis, 40, was one of the most distinctive and extrovert players on the international tennis circuit and was ranked among the world's top ten players between 1977 and 1982. His body was discovered in the bedroom of friend's home on Sunday afternoon.

Police in Southampton said preliminary investigations had revealed no suspicious circumstances but a post-mortem examination was under way yesterday to determine the cause of death.

Gerulaitis reached the peak of his career in 1977 when he beat John Lloyd in the final of the Australian Open to win his only Grand Slam title. His patchy overall record belied some sparkling individual performances: his losing but breathtaking fifth set against Bjorn Borg at Wimbledon in 1977, in particular, will be remembered as one of the most exciting tennis matches ever played.

Popular with his fellow competitors and beloved of spectators for his on-court verve, Gerulaitis never quite achieved sporting greatness, for which he blamed his addiction to drugs and high-living. Despite accumulating 27 singles titles, nine doubles titles and career earnings of almost $3 million, Gerulaitis was never ranked higher than third in the world.

While at the top of his form, Gerulaitis admitted using cocaine, which he blamed for his inconsistent performances. In 1983 he was implicated but never charged in a cocaine dealing conspiracy.

The Brooklyn-born player appeared equally at home on the court and in Manhattan nightclubs, while his late-night "jamming sessions" on stage with such contemporaries as John McEnroe compounded his reputation as a playboy sportsman.

Commenting on his friend's death after winning an exhibition match against Michael Chang in Berkeley, California, McEnroe said: "I won this match for my buddy Vitas and I'm too distraught to talk about it."

Gerulaitis left the main tennis circuit in 1985 but he continued to play regularly in exhibition matches and had a second career as a television commentator. He played his last public match on Wednesday in Seattle on the Champion's Tour for players over 35 but dropped out of the competition after complaining of back pain.

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Pro-caning MP's son is fined for vandalism

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

THE son of Harry Greenway, the Tory MP who is an advocate of corporal punishment, was ordered to pay £525 compensation yesterday after admitting criminal damage during a late-night vandalism spree at a London railway station.

Mark Greenway, 19, admitted destroying a platform clock with a metal dust-bin, showering the platform with glass. His appearance at Camberwell Green Magistrates' Court came ten days after John Major declared war on the "yob culture," urging courts to hand down tougher penalties to petty criminals.

Greenway had been drinking with a group of friends after receiving his A-level results in July. They missed the last train home from West Dulwich station in southeast London and began throwing stones.

Greenway was told by Romaine Timaes, the magistrate, that he had been "remarkably stupid". He was ordered to pay £525 to British Rail to repair the clock and £30 costs.

His father who was not in court, said: "If he damaged the clock, it is only fair that he was asked to pay for its repair."

Harry Greenway, a former deputy headmaster and MP for Ealing North since 1979, has been one of the most vociferous Tory proponents of tough penalties for violent criminals. He has also consistently backed the restoration of corporal punishment in schools.

Lady Alethea had been planning to attend wedding

BY DOMINIC KENNEDY

LADY Alethea Savile had been planning to attend the wedding of a former boyfriend on the day after her death, friends said yesterday.

As they discounted the likelihood of suicide, police sources indicated it was "quite possible" her death had been an accident.

Lady Alethea, 31, who had a drugs problem, was found dead on Friday at her flat in Chelsea by her brother, Viscount Pollington. She had apparently fallen and struck her head. Police are awaiting a toxicologist's report after an inconclusive post-mortem examination.

Mark Newlands, Lady Alethea's former boyfriend, married Lavinia Bunn at St Peter's Church in Twickenham, West Sussex, on Saturday. A close family friend who did not wish to be named said: "At the wedding, everybody was saying 'Where's Alethea? Typical!' It's so awful that she should die on the day before the wedding. It would be very unfair on Mark to read anything too deep into that."

After Lady Alethea's relationship with Mr Newlands ended many years ago she remained close to him and his fiancée. Later she moved in with James Gilbey, the Princess of Wales's confidant, but their romance finished after several years.

Friends blamed her depression and drug addiction for the failure of the relationship rather than rivalry with the Princess. The friend said: "She was outstanding at English and had no difficulty obtaining a place at Oxford University. Her friends assumed she would become a writer. That will be my lasting memory of her, being very clever and very funny."

Even then, the shadow of her mother's alcoholism was a burden upon her. Lady Alethea and her brother lived with their mother, Lady Elizabeth Hariot, a manic depressive whose marriage to the Earl of Mexborough had failed. "They had this wonderful, chaotic, rambling house in Cadogan Square. Her mother was this rather spooky character who drifted in and out and Alethea was really looking after the house."

At Oxford, she began abusing class A drugs. She spent much of her time in London instead of studying and left the university with only a third.

Writing was still her ambition and she contributed articles to several publications but never applied herself enough to succeed. Lady Alethea attended clinics in Britain and the United States to treat her addiction, staying free of drugs for months or years.

During the final months of her life, Lady Alethea's condition worsened. Her father cut off her allowance, possibly fearing it was being spent on drugs. She sold her story to a popular newspaper for a reputed £10,000.

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Saunders case sparks attack on fraud rules

BY FRANCES GIBB AND JONATHAN PRYNN

THE Government faced attacks from all sides yesterday over its City regulatory regime after the European Commission ruling that Ernest Saunders, former Guinness chief, was denied a fair trial.

Sir John Nott, former Tory Trade Secretary, delivered a broadside against his former department, its ministers and lawyers, saying their behaviour was "nothing short of disgraceful".

Urging swift action to overhaul the City regulatory regime, Sir John said that the investigative methods deployed to prevent fraud had led to a two-tier system of justice, where "corners are cut and the rights of individuals accused of fraud eroded".

DTI investigators had gathered evidence and passed it directly to the Serious Fraud Office at the very time the prosecution process of Mr Saunders was going on and he was giving his evidence, Sir John said. "It is like something out of a Star Chamber."

Sir John, now a company chairman, said: "I hope this finding by the European Commission will force the Department of Trade to examine its current procedures for Board of Trade investigations and to restore certain basic rights to people subjected to these investigations and then to criminal charge."

His comments came as the European Commission of Human Rights in Strasbourg was forced into releasing its finding, due later this week, that the methods used to secure evidence from Mr Saunders were "oppressive" and that he was "in effect compelled to incriminate himself" during his seven-month trial.

The finding, by 14 to one, deals a blow to the powers of City investigators to obtain information under their powers to compel people to answer questions on pain of imprisonment.

The Commission said in its ruling that the material gathered from Mr Saunders was then passed to the prosecuting authorities and it formed a "not insignificant" part of of the case against him at trial.

Mr Saunders, who served one third of a five-year sentence after being found guilty of false accounting and theft, hopes to see his conviction sent back to the Court of Appeal to be quashed. He could also be awarded compensation if the case goes to the European Court and it finds in his favour.

The ruling also prompted calls from Labour yesterday. Alistair Darling, the party's City spokesman, said City regulation has been reduced to a new low of "disarray and disrepute". He called for urgent action from the Government to save the reputation of the financial services industry and demanded legislation in the next Parliamentary session to overhaul the current regulatory regime "before another disaster hits us".

The Department of Trade said it was studying the Commission's ruling. It has six months to respond, but if a "friendly settlement" cannot be reached, then the case is likely to go to the European Court of Justice.



Saunders: may get compensation

DES JENSON



Peter Howson with one of his war pictures. He is disappointed at the decision by Imperial War Museum not to buy the rape scene "Croatian and Muslim"

Brutal scene by Bosnia war artist may go abroad

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

A BRUTAL but critically acclaimed painting by Britain's official Bosnian war artist, Peter Howson, may end up in an American or German museum after the Imperial War Museum rejected it.

Matthew Flowers, managing director of the Flowers East Gallery, who acts as Mr Howson's agent, said yesterday that "Croatian and Muslim", which depicts two men in fatigues raping a woman, was highly likely to end up in a collection abroad.

He said that British galleries would find it hard to afford the "modest" price of £18,000 because their budgets were so small. "Howson's paintings of this size usually sell for £25,000 to £40,000. We deliberately priced 'Croatian and Muslim' at £18,000 so that a British museum could buy it."

Mr Howson said that he was disappointed at the war museum's decision last week to select for its permanent collection six of his Bosnian works depicting ostensibly peaceful scenes, including "Cleansed", an oil depicting a groups of refugees sitting peaceably on the ground. He said he was incensed at the assertion by Alan Borg, director general of the museum, that it should select only images that the artist had witnessed.

"Half the collection in the Imperial War Museum consists of scenes not actually seen by the artist," he said. "The reason why artists are chosen to go to wars is to use their imagination, otherwise they could just send a photographer." American and German galleries had a more enlightened attitude, he added.

Mr Borg denied that there had been an attempt to sanitise the collection of Mr Howson's work. "Although 'Croatian and Muslim' is a very strong painting, it is a work that could have been produced by any artist sitting in his studio," he said.

Mr Borg said that the museum had been allowed to chose one large and two small oil paintings and three pastels from Mr Howson's war commission, which was sponsored by *The Times*. Jonathan Scott, chairman of the museum's artistic record committee, said: "If we had been able to keep more than one of the large paintings, we would almost certainly have picked the rape scene."

Angela Weight the museum's keeper of art, who originally proposed that the museum keep the rape painting, said that although the works in Mr Howson's commission which had moved her were not the ones chosen by the committee, she was bound by the majority.

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Sacked Scout man seeks damages

BY FRANCES GIBB

A SCOUT leader is to seek damages at an industrial tribunal after being dismissed from his voluntary post after a quarrel with senior officers.

The case, to be brought by Martin Johnson, 46, a former RAF officer, could be the first time that the Scouting movement is taken before an industrial tribunal accused of unfair dismissal. It will test whether scoutleaders such as Mr Johnson, who are unpaid, are protected by employment laws or fall outside the scope of such protection.

Mr Johnson was relieved of his post after a dispute with his senior officials over rules at a swimming gala. A committee of inquiry was set up after parents backed the Sea Scouts leader and a letter of complaint went to the Chief Scout and the Prime Minister.

The committee has now ruled that Mr Johnson, who has been in the movement for 37 years, was wrongly dismissed but he will not know until the end of the month whether he will be reinstated.

Mr Johnson, a senior manager at a Bedfordshire hospice, is pressing ahead with his industrial tribunal case but his claim would be fiercely resisted by the Scouts Association. Nigel Stevenson, secretary, said: "We do not believe he can bring such a case."

Most of the movement's 100,000 leaders were unpaid and did not have contracts of employment, he said.

Families of murder victims need help, Howard told

BY STEWART TENDLER
CRIME CORRESPONDENT

FAMILIES of murder victims need professional help to cope with the trauma, Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, was told yesterday when he met members of a campaign group calling for a new Charter of Rights for those whose relatives are murdered.

The meeting came amid heightened concern over the handling of the Wimbledon Common murder case, which has drawn fierce criticism from the father of Rachel Nickell, the victim. Mr Howard promised that under government sentencing plans judges would be given reports on the effects of crime on victims before they deal with offenders. Pre-sentence reports prepared for judges would be expected to reflect the circumstances, mitigation or explanation for the actions of the offender and will also have full details of the victim. At the moment reports describe the crime but need not mention the victim.

The proposals are due to be announced by Mr Howard in a green paper before the end of this month but yesterday he outlined his ideas during a meeting with representatives of Justice for Victims, which is campaigning with Liberty for a charter of rights for the families of murder victims. The campaigners say a special support agency should be created just to deal with the families of murder victims.

The idea of providing a more balanced picture — the crime, the offender and the victim — was one of the 27 points of action promised by Mr Howard at last year's Conservative party conference.

Mr Howard told BBC Radio 4's *Today* programme: "We want to make sure that victims are kept informed as the criminal process goes along. We want to make sure their views are taken into account — for example in decisions on bail. I'm confident the place of the victim in our system will be increasingly recognised in the near future." A Home Office source said the new type of report "would present a more balanced picture. A standard crime like the theft of a wallet would become more personal. There will be a difference between theft from a 21-year-old man and a little old lady who might be afraid to go out again."

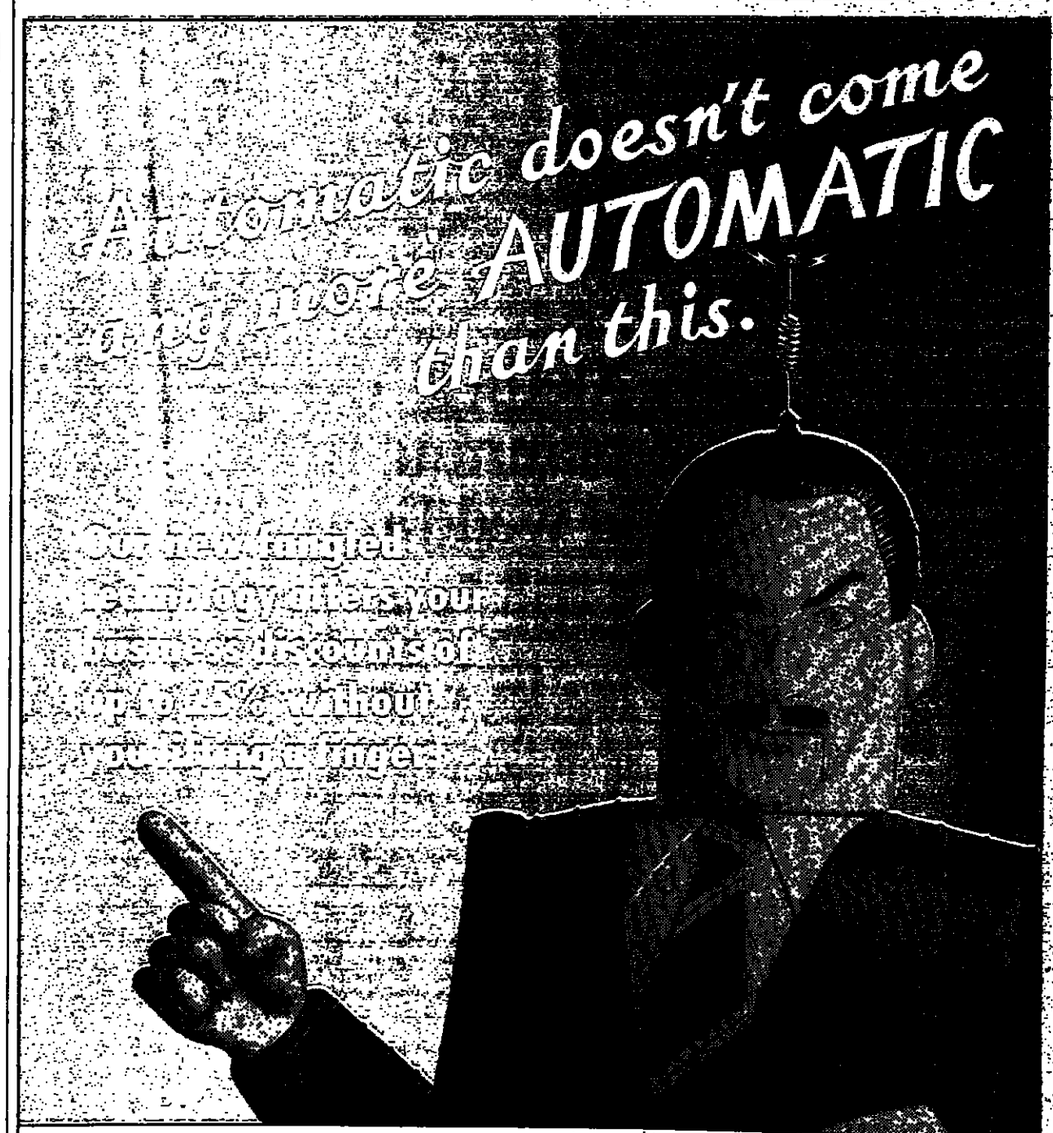
The new type of report with the added "impact statement" would not require legislation. It will be discussed with the probation service, police and lawyers before being put into effect. Mr Howard also promised that all the recommendations of the royal commission on the criminal justice system for better treatment of witnesses, often including victims or their families, would be taken up. The groups want a charter to keep victims informed of the progress of prosecutions, a system of damages rather than payments through the criminal compensation system, and legal aid.

Dawn Bromiley, whose 21-year-old daughter, was murdered by a man who escaped from prison on home leave, said the home secretary had agreed that the welfare of offenders rather than victims had been paramount for too long. "We are informed of a loved one's death and then left to get on with it", she said.

Ann Virgin, from Chingford, Essex, whose common-law husband was killed, said specialist help was needed for the families of victims rather than a volunteer system.

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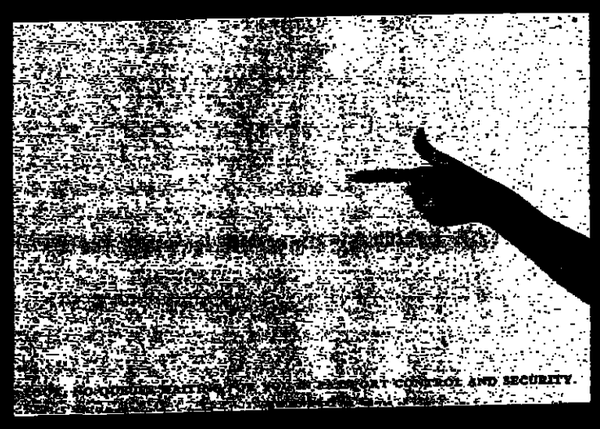


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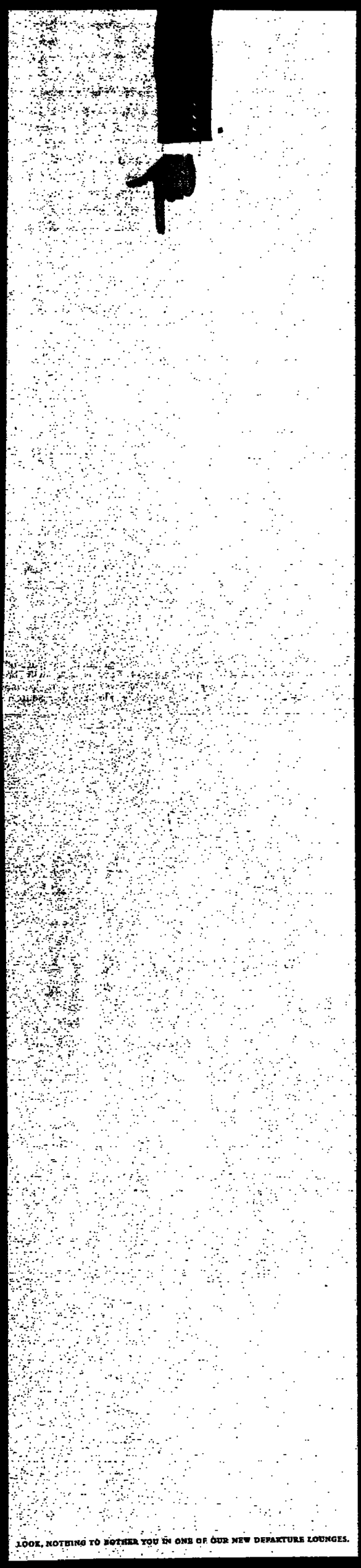
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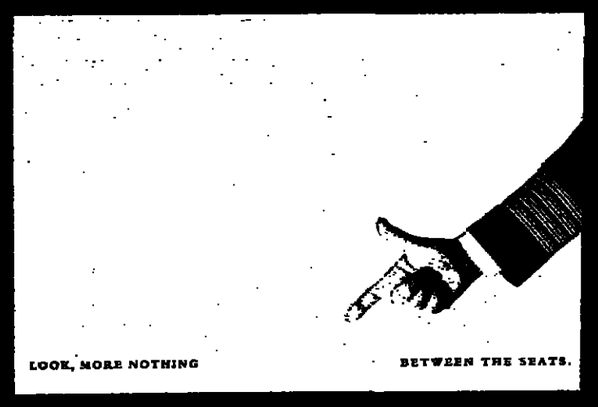
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Experts predict million young smokers will die in middle age

Success of 30-year war on tobacco grinds to a halt

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

SMOKING in Britain has stopped falling and shows no sign of renewing its decline, cancer scientists said yesterday.

Issuing the grimmest forecast yet about the effects of the habit, experts predict that a million of today's child and teenage smokers will die in middle age and a further million in old age.

Launching the most comprehensive study of deaths from smoking across the world, Professor Richard Peto of Oxford University said that deaths from smoking fell by a fifth in Britain in the past decade, after 30 years of topping the world league for tobacco mortality. But the sharp fall in smoking in the 1970s and 1980s has not been sustained.

"Unfortunately the decrease in cigarette sales has pretty well ground to a halt and the proportion of teenagers who smoke is the same now as it was ten years ago," he said. "Unless fewer people start or more people stop smoking, tobacco is going to remain the commonest cause of premature death in Britain."

The report, published by the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the American Cancer Society, says that tobacco will have killed six million people in Britain and 60 million worldwide between 1950 and 2000. "On present smoking patterns, the future is going to be considerably worse than the past," Professor Peto, the report's chief author, said.

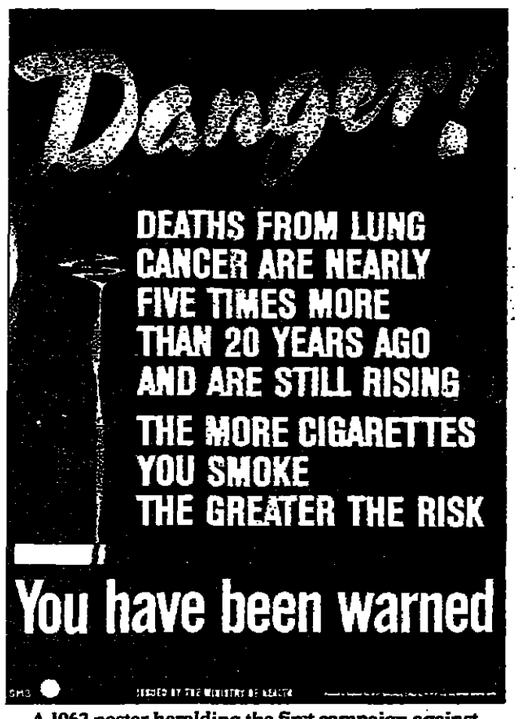
Dr Alan Lopez of WHO said that half of smokers would eventually be killed by their habit and many underestimated the risks. "Tobacco is like *no other risk — it is extremely* hazardous," he said. Worldwide smoking caused three million deaths a year but that figure was projected to grow to ten million a year by 2025. "The chief uncertainty is not whether but when this will occur — in the 2020s or the 2030s."

Professor Sir Richard Doll, the first scientist to discover the hazards of tobacco in 1950, attacks the Government in a foreword to the report for failing to ban tobacco advertising. "It is quite incredible that they don't do that. I think it is immoral.

"Here is something that kills one sixth of the population and the Government allows advertisers to encourage people to do it."

Sir Richard says in his foreword that although the dangers of tobacco are widely known, "it is still insufficiently widely known how large these dangers are". He says that the sharp fall in smoking in the 1970s occurred after the media took up the message of the dangers being put out by the researchers.

"That was the turning point," he writes. To reduce smoking further, as well as an advertising ban, taxation on cigarettes should be increased and smoking prohibited in public places, Sir Richard adds.



A 1962 poster heralding the first campaign against smoking. Warnings no longer work, scientists say

HEALTH FILE

■ Worldwide somebody dies every ten seconds because they smoked, according to new report on smoking from the Imperial Cancer Research Fund in Oxford, the World Health Organisation in Geneva and the American Cancer Society in Atlanta.

■ About half a billion of the world's population today will eventually be killed by tobacco.

■ About 250 million will still be in middle age (35-69) when killed by tobacco, losing 20 years of life.

■ Most of those killed by tobacco were not particularly "heavy" smokers but most did start in teenage years.

■ On average in Britain, among 1,000 20-year-olds who smoke regularly, one will die from homicide, about six will die from motor vehicles, about 250 will be killed by smoking in middle age alone, plus 250 more in old age.

Fire brigades in crisis

TWO major fire brigades are on the point of bankruptcy. They face the stark choice of either reducing fire cover below Home Office standards or spending more money than they are allowed to by the Government (Ian Murray writes).

The Mersey and South Yorkshire brigades have plundered their reserves for four years to find the money to keep their services going. Reserves are running out and by the end of the financial year both brigades expect them to be exhausted. Both say that increased pension costs are partly to blame for the shortfall. "We are in desperate straits," Peter Dowd, chairman of the Mersey policy and resources committee, said. "We will be £3 million short by the end of the year and we have no idea where the money will come from."

Bill Wilkinson, deputy clerk of the South Yorkshire brigade, said he expected a £1.5 million overspend by the end of the financial year. "We have reduced standards below the levels the authority thinks is necessary, but we cannot cut any more without breaching Home Office requirements.

Lottery training starts

THOUSANDS of shopkeepers and petrol station assistants will start training at secret centres in the next two weeks to use the National Lottery's computer terminals (Neil Bennett writes).

As part of the final preparations for the launch of the £5.5 billion game, the lottery plans to teach 35,000 sales assistants from the 10,000 stores that will have lottery terminals. They will be shown how to enter six numbers out of 49 for each £1 ticket and ensure the numbers are sent through the lottery's secure network to one of its main processing centres in Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire, or Aintree near Liverpool.

The course is being run by Peritas, a subsidiary of ICL, the computer manufacturer and one of the partners in the lottery consortium. In the next few weeks the terminals will begin to be installed in shops throughout the country although they will be hidden until the official launch. The first draw will be televised live on BBC1 on Saturday, November 19. The tickets will go on sale ten days before the first draw.

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The £500 Day Four Times game prize was shared by two winners with 39 letters each. They are: Mr John Pritchard of Rossett, Clwyd and Mr Martin Smith of Reading, Berkshire.

Mr Pritchard, who is a retired civil servant, had the following consonants on his card and by using the vowels for Day Four made the following five words.

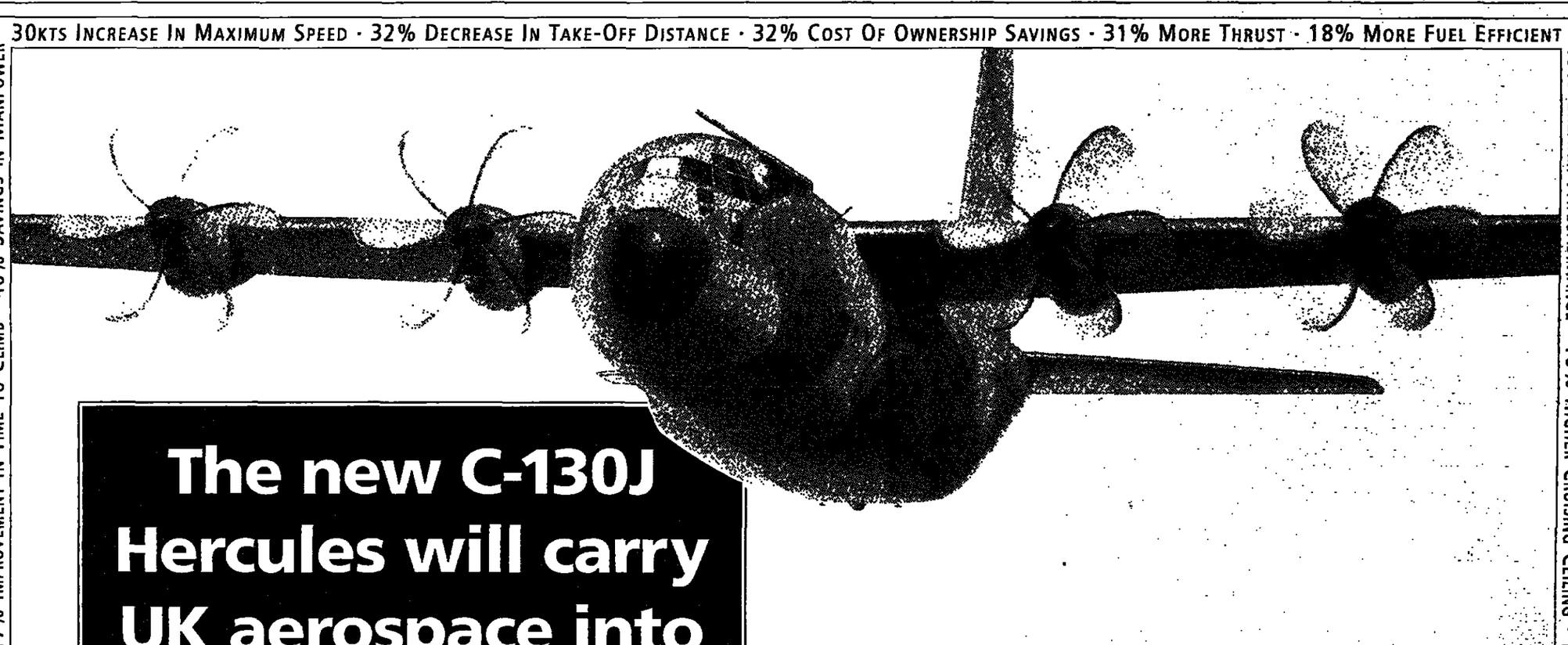
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Round 2: H G W D W F (E E I) WEIGHED
Round 3: L C S C P (I O O E) PICCOLOS
Round 4: F S T D R N (A E O) NATURED
Round 5: Y D Q N T (I U I I) INIQUITY

There is no winner for Day Four of the TV game. The £500 prize is carried forward so that yesterday's TV game prize was worth £1,000.

The winners will be published *tomorrow.*

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Southerners find sanctuary in Scottish isles but wildlife could come under threat

English invaders give boost to falling island population

By Ian Murray

AN ENGLISH invasion of Scotland means that for the first time in decades the population of the Western Isles, Orkney and the Shetlands has begun to grow.

A study of the latest census figures by the Highlands and Islands Development Board shows that the number of English people who moved to the Hebrides in the 1980s almost equalled the number of islanders who left. In Skye the number of English nearly doubled and they make up a seventh of the population.

In the Shetlands, where the population fell by 14 per cent in the 1980s, immigrants pushed the figure up again by 1.3 per cent between 1991 and last year. In the Orkneys there has been a 1 per cent growth over the same two-year period. The migrants are not pensioners seeking a quiet retirement home but younger families looking for a new lifestyle.

Charles Smith left London 26 years ago for Wales, where he met his wife Linda and was a sheep farmer. Six years ago the Smiths bought Papa Stronsay, the 250 acre island where Thorfinn the Mighty slew the Viking Earl Rognald in 1046.

The only other permanent residents are their daughter Kristel, 11, and about 600 sheep. Rare migrant birds, otters, eiderducks and seals are frequent visitors. Dolphins and porpoises bask in the island's harbour near the private pier.

"I am the laird here — they all call me that. You get quite upset if someone comes over and walks about without asking you. It is my kingdom," he said.

Mr Smith says he is too busy haymaking, mending drystone walls and looking after the sheep to be bored or lonely but there is still time to enjoy being an islander when the sun shines in the summer. "You just stroll round the beach, pick up a few lobsters to eat for lunch on the terrace with some home-made wine or home brew. It's a great life."

He takes Kristel to school in his fishing boat each morning. "The trip only takes ten minutes, a lot less than most people in towns need to get their children to school."

In the winter months, when gales lash the narrow strait to the island, the family usually stays in a house they own on Stronsay so they can be sure Kristel can get to school.

Mr Smith's one complaint with his island is that it is not big enough. He wants a larger farm and is reluctantly trying to sell so he can buy a 500-acre holding on Stronsay.

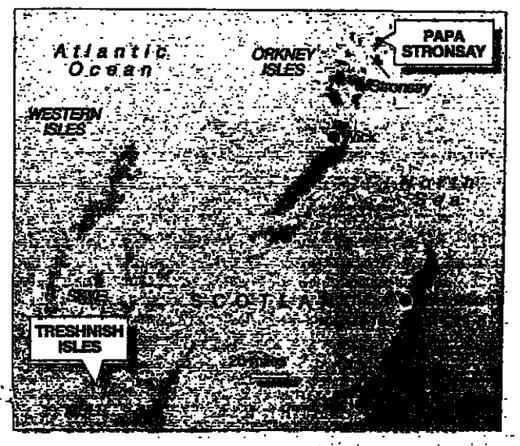
"There are 400 inhabitants there and it has the advantage of being a very close little community. There is no crime or violence and the only time you see a policeman is when he comes to check on someone who hasn't paid their road tax.

"All the inquiries for empty houses seem to be from people who want to escape the violence of the cities in the South," he said.



The 12 uninhabited Treshnish Isles are home to many birds, including these puffins, but their future is in doubt after the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds decided it could not afford the islands' £600,000 asking price

Bird-lovers fear breeding grounds will go to uncaring buyer



By Gillian Bowditch, Scotland Correspondent

CONSERVATIONISTS are worried that the ultimate in romantic island retreats may be ruined if they fall into the hands of an unsympathetic owner. The Treshnish Isles, a string of a dozen uninhabited islands in the Atlantic between the islands of Mull and Tiree, are on the market for £600,000.

The islands had been part of a £1 million package including the 1,900-acre Treshnish estate on Mull but on Friday the estate was bought by a farming family associated with Mull since 1860s for more than the £400,000 asking price. The Treshnish Isles remain unsold.

Colin Strang Steel, of the Edinburgh office of Knight Frank and Rutley, which is selling the islands, said: "They are still for sale but are not being actively marketed at present."

The islands are noted for their wildlife and are an important breeding ground for puffins, storm petrels, guillemots, shags and razorbills. They form a six-mile chain covering 320 acres and are thought to be the boundary between the northern and southern islands into which the Hebrides were divided during the reign of the Vikings. They boast a castle, a fort and the remains of a crofting village that was abandoned in the last century.

The castle on Cairn na Burgh More, one of the larger islands, was built by Norsemen but was later used by the McLean family to house unwanted wives. It was later captured by Cromwell, who razed it.

The islands were bought by Colonel Niall Rankin, a photographer with *The Field*, in 1938. He used them as a base for wildlife expeditions and did much to encourage the bird population, which includes golden eagles, peregrine falcons and red- and black-throated divers. The islands are being sold by his widow's family.

David Mitchell of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said the society had actively considered buying the islands but had been put off by the price.

He said: "We had valued them at closer to £80,000 but we wouldn't have been surprised if someone from the Home Counties had paid the asking price. There is still a cache to owning a Scottish island. We are concerned about the future of the islands. There are fears about the increased shipping along the west coast and the threat of an expansion in oil exploration."

Locals are also known to be worried about the possibility of a new owner being unsympathetic to the island's heritage.

"At present the islands are balanced between threat and opportunity. There is some visitor pressure and evidence that it is doing some damage. The opportunity for the corncrake is particularly exciting but that will not be realised unless someone takes it on as a conservation cause," Mr Mitchell said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Stagg gets dog back after year in kennels

Colin Stagg, who last week had the charge against him of murdering Rachel Nickell dropped, has collected his dog Brandy from kennels. The £1,642 bill for keeping the dog for a year was paid by the Metropolitan Police prisoners' property fund.

Mr Stagg did not offer a donation to the Battersea Dogs' Home charity.

Train derailed

Vandals partially derailed an empty passenger train by placing drain covers and concrete on the track in Bolton. A spokesman for Regional Railways North West said police would prosecute the case using the full force of the law.

Brewery fined

Bass Breweries was fined £50,000 at Stafford Crown Court after Simon Hawksworth, 17, a labourer, died after falling through a skylight at its Burton on Trent headquarters. The court was told there was no handrail.

Garage attack

Two men are under police guard in hospital after being shot at a garage in Holywell, Clwyd. A bystander suffered leg injuries when he was hit by the getaway car. No attempt was made to rob the garage. A man has been arrested.

Loud car

Environmental health officers in Portsmouth towed a car away after its alarm rang for more than three days. A sailor had left his car outside a friend's house while they went on holiday. The owner faces a recovery charge of up to £300.

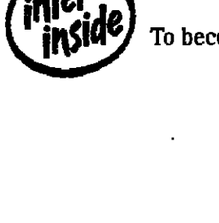
Found car

Andrew Brunsdon, a motor mechanic from Quedgeley, Gloucestershire, was test driving a car when he found himself following his stolen MG Metro. A man has been charged with three driving offences.



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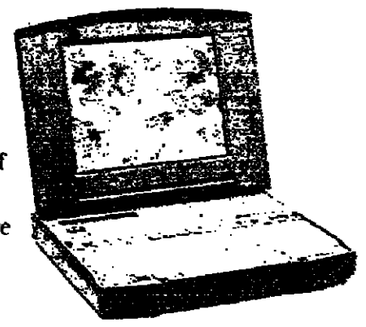


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Best-selling cars can be broken into in seconds

BY KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

SOME of the best-selling cars in Britain can be broken into within seconds in spite of high-technology locks and alarm systems, according to tests by a motoring magazine.

Experts were given 50 cars to break into by *What Car?* magazine. The experts included a locksmith and worked in teams of two. They were given five minutes to break into the car without damaging it, render the alarm useless and prepare the car for being towed away in much the same way as professional thieves.

Only nine of the 50 cars passed the five-minute test. The survey comes only days after figures showed that insurance claims for stolen vehicles fell by £35 million in the first six months of this year. The insurance industry said that the drop in claims was due to better security equipment fitted to cars.

But *What Car?* says in its October issue that motorists should not be lulled into a false sense of security, proving that most cars could be broken into by a determined thief in seconds rather than minutes.

The car overcome quickest was Peugeot's 106XS 1.4i. *What Car?* said: "This car has next to nothing in terms of security. There is no alarm, the locks are flimsy plastic and central-locking is non-existent. Are you surprised we were inside in three seconds?"

The *What Car?* verdict was: "Peugeot hasn't even tried. It just doesn't seem to appreciate the level of car crime in Britain." The magazine added: "Only seven cars out of the 50 we tested kept our 'thieves' from towing them away within five minutes. A shameful 18 cars took less than two minutes to silence, enter and — an operation for which we allowed a generous minute — break the steering lock.

"In real life, many of these times would have been faster because thieves would not have flinched at causing considerable damage."

Ford, Porsche, Audi, Vauxhall and BMW were praised for raising security levels although the magazine pointed out that all had gaps in their ranges. Volvo, Toyota and Volkswagen were improving fast. Ford's best-selling Mondeo was singled out as a "hands-down winner" but its 130mph Probe coupé could be stolen in 1 minute 6 seconds.

Rover was criticised as having cars among the least protected while the magazine added: "The Japanese have found it hard to accept that, in the West, car crime is pretty much a way of life."

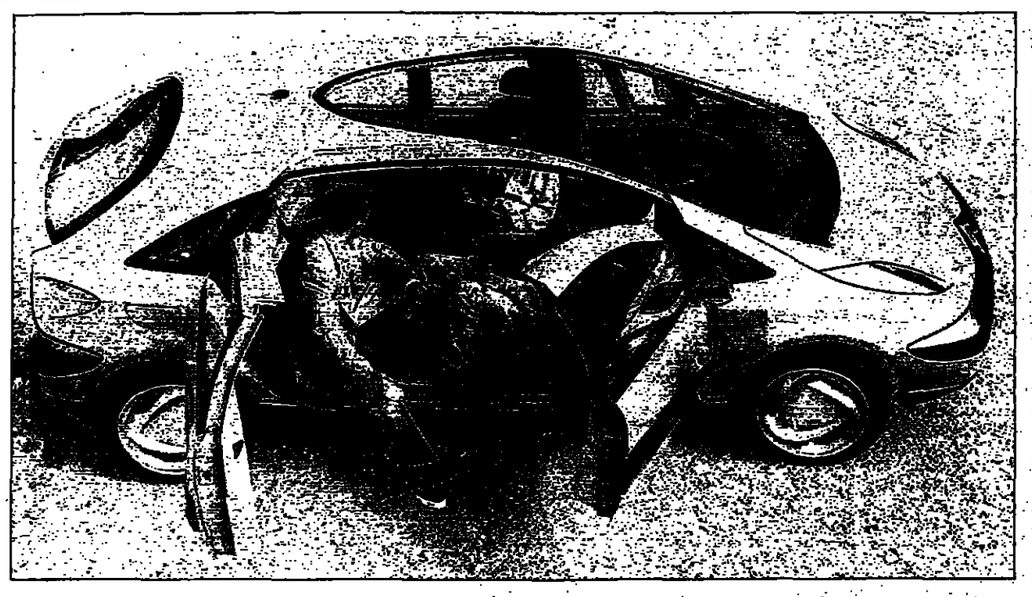
PASSED

Ford Fiesta RS 1800
Ford Escort 1.8Si 1.8
Ford Mondeo 2.0Si
Audi A6 2.6SE
BMW 525i SE
Vauxhall Omega Elite 3.0i
Volvo 850 GLT 2.5 20v
Porsche 928 GTS
Toyota Supra.

FAILED

(Time taken to open car and ready for towing away)

Peugeot 106 XS1.4i	*1min 03secs*
Vauxhall Astra 1.6GLS	1.05
Ford Probe 16v	1.06
Rover Metro 1.4Si	1.08
Rover 214 Si	1.19
Rover 420 GSI 16v	1.19
Citroen ZX Aura 1.9TD	1.30
Honda Civic 1.6VTi	1.30
Renault Clio 1.2 RN	1.33
Vauxhall Corsa 1.4i GLS	1.35
Rover 623SLI	1.35
Fiat Punto TD SX	1.36
Toyota Previa GX 2.5	1.40
Rover 220 coupe	1.50
Toyota Carina E 2.0 GLi	1.50
Mercedes C200 Elegance	1.55
Peugeot 306 1.9 XRdt	2.00
Citroen ZX 2.0 Volcane	2.02
Mitsubishi Shogun 3.5V6	2.02
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Vauxhall Astra GSi 16v	3.05
Renault Laguna 2.0RT	3.15
Volkswagen Golf VR6	3.24
Volkswagen Corrado VR6	3.30
BMW M3	4.10
BMW 325i	4.10



Tomorrow's car is a saloon ... in more than one sense

A SITTING room on wheels ... a family demonstrating Citroën's car for the next century, a five-door hatchback with swivelling armchairs, a pushbutton gear change and dashboard dials *displayed on the windscreen* (Kevin Eason writes).

Designers at the French firm's headquarters were given a brief to produce the shape of a family car that would take the company through the millennium. *They produced the Xanae*, with sweeping, rounded lines, large areas of glass and a computer to guide the driver away from traffic jams. The right-hand side has two doors opening away from each other with no central *door pillar. Front seats swing* around to form almost a mini-room, underlining the leisure concept of the vehicle.

An adventurous dashboard and steering wheel layout includes a computer that displays maps of towns and cities throughout Europe and picks up the latest traffic information. The automatic transmission is controlled from a button on the steering wheel.

There are no plans to manufacture the Xanae but Citroën says that it is close to the cars it will be making by the end of the decade.

Rover takes pole position from its BMW parent

BY KEVIN EASON

ROVER is outselling its new owner, BMW, across Western Europe for the first time despite the slow recovery from recession on the Continent.

Critics had scoffed at Rover's ambition to be the British equivalent of BMW, a relatively small manufacturer of renowned, high-value models. But the company is achieving remarkable growth at a rate that even BMW executives could not imagine possible when they bought Rover in March for £800 million.

In a remarkable turn around for a business that had struggled to find export customers, sales figures for the first eight months of this year show Rover outpacing its competitors in almost every market.

With a new range of cars, it has managed to increase sales in Western Europe this year by 23.7 per cent against a growth figure for the Continent of 6 per cent. Registrations totalled 274,320 to the end of August against 251,888 last year and the 260,007 achieved by BMW.

Rovers' registrations in Germany are up 22.4 per cent *to 6,565 cars this year against* a market growth of 0.1 per cent. In France, sales are up 22.6 per cent to 25,226 compared with the market increase of 14.2 per cent and in Italy they have increased by 38.4 per cent while overall car sales there have dropped 4.2 per cent.

A new MG sports car is due next year while Rover is already working on a replacement for its 800 series executive range to be based on the current BMW 5-series cars. The company will also launch a new luxury model to compete against Jaguar and luxury limousines made by Mercedes-Benz.

A spokeswoman for Rover said yesterday: "There is no doubt that Rover has enjoyed a boost from being associated with BMW over the past few months."

Britain is the only market in which the positions are reversed, *with BMW struggling* to keep up with demand and Rover's market share falling slightly.

Business blamed for accidents

BY TIM JONES

BUSINESS drivers suffering from fatigue and stress are responsible for four out of ten motorway crashes, the Automobile Association said yesterday.

The figure represents a four-fold increase since 1979 and the AA blamed a more competitive economy in which staff are pushed ever harder to meet targets. According to the AA, many company representatives spend between six and eight hours a day driving.

Matthew Joint, of the AA's road safety unit, said: "Companies may meet tougher targets by pushing drivers to rush their journeys and they may save money by cutting back on overnight accommodation. But they will lose out when fatigue results in sick leave and an increased risk of accident."

KEENE on CHESS

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Crown contenders

The PCA World Championship semi-final begins tomorrow in Linares, Spain.

For the first time, two British Grandmasters qualified: Nigel Short faces American Grandmaster Gata Kamsky, and Michael Adams faces Viswanathan Ariand, of India.

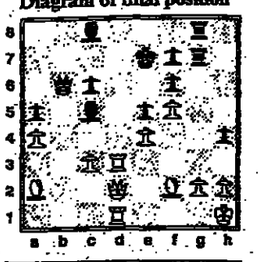
This game shows how Short has defeated Kamsky.

White: Nigel Short
Black: Gata Kamsky
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Sicilian Defence

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9	f4	b5
10	Kh1	Nf6
11	f5	Bc5
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14	Nc4	b5
15	Ne3	b4
16	Ng4	h5
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18	Bd2	Ke7
19	Rf3	Rh7
20	Bc4	Rg8
21	Rd1	Qa7
22	Rd3	Bc8
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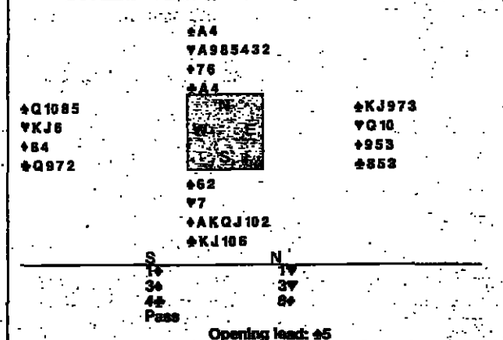
Diagram of final position



Winning move, page 48

DORMER on BRIDGE

BY ALBERT DORMER, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT



Opening lead: ♣5

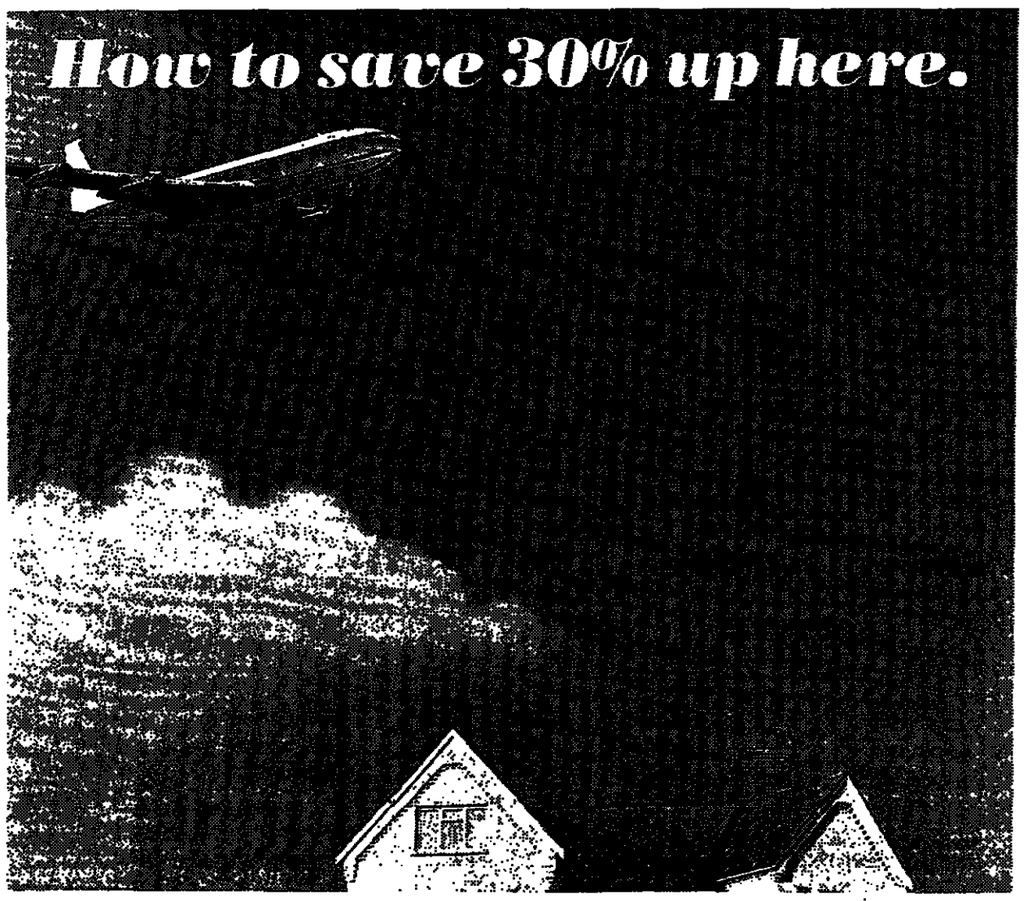
South's sequence accurately describes his 6-4 pattern. North's final bid is thrustful but the contract still has fair chances. How should South plan the play?

Solution: Win with the ♣A, cash the ♣A-K, and lead the ♣J. If West covers with the queen, the trick is ruffed in dummy. Trumps are then drawn and South can afford to lose a spade trick.

If West does not cover the ♣J, a spade is discarded. As the cards lie, the ♣J holds the trick and South can ruff his losing spade, later conceding a club trick.

Suppose next that East holds the ♣Q—x—x. East wins the trick when the jack is led, but South loses no other trick as he can ruff his losing spade.

If East holds ♣Q—x—x—x, the contract fails, for East can return a fourth club, allowing West to ruff in front of dummy. But this is clearly the best line of play.



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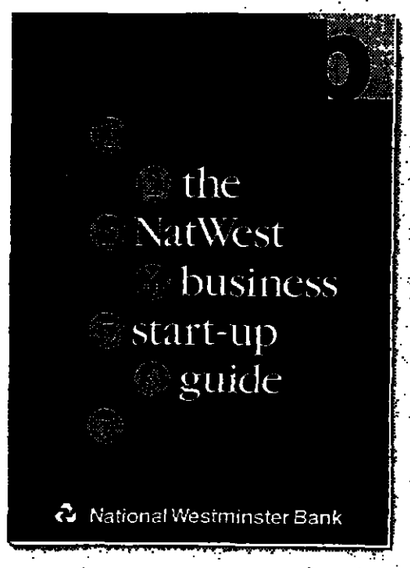
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Haphazard course set for journey to worst of all worlds

If the Liberal Democrats want to be taken seriously, they cannot afford any repetition of the fiasco of yesterday's "Budget Presentation" by Malcolm Bruce, the new Treasury spokesman. This was his big opportunity to show that he has fresh ideas to justify his claim that the party is "leading the economic debate". Instead, there was a mish-mash of muddle, error and banalities, with not even a hint of a coherent macro-economic framework.

His speech was full of woolly and misleading assertions. He claimed that cuts in income tax had been in part financed by "drastic spending cuts", when the opposite happened.

BUDGET 1994 POLITICS

The sharp *rise* in public spending around the last election was one of the main reasons for the big jump in public borrowing. What is anyone to make of: "We know the economy depends on people and must operate to serve people. Policies *should be people sized, not* grand complex models like monetarism, which don't work and don't serve."

To present a self-styled Budget without discussing fiscal, monetary or exchange-rate policy is rather like setting sail without a compass or even a rudder. It is apt to result in confusion and a haphazard course. No one expects Mr Bruce to provide details — or the promised fully costed programme — two years before an election. But he should have shown some awareness of the constraints on the Budget deficit implied by his party's support for a single currency.

Most attention has been devoted to his comments about tax ahead of tomorrow's debate on the tax and benefits paper. Paddy Ashdown and Mr Bruce have stepped back from the paper's suggestion of a top marginal rate of "up to" 60 per cent. But Mr Bruce added to the confusion yesterday. What will be the balance between cutting tax rates and raising thresholds, and compensating for removing the upper limit on employees' national insurance contributions? He talked of using the proceeds from unspecified environmental taxes to reduce the tax burden elsewhere, but the party's sustainability paper said the money might be used for investment in reducing pollution and encouraging conservation.

Mr Bruce seems to have in mind a redistributive package aimed at benefiting the 25 per cent on low incomes. But the Liberal Democrats are in danger of having the worst of all worlds, raising fears about where new and increased taxes might fall and not working out the impact on particular income groups. No wonder the Tories and Labour, let alone many Liberal Democrat parliamentary candidates, cannot understand the political naivety of those who approved the tax and benefit paper.

Mr Bruce is said by party officials to be determined to push through a radical rethinking of economic policy. But meaning well is not enough. At present he looks out of his depth. Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, can also be criticised for being too vague about his plans. But he has avoided the tax trap and always appears to have a grip on economic policy issues.

In contrast to Mr Bruce, an example of how a shadow spokesman should operate was provided later by Menzies Campbell. In a confident and informed speech he argued against further cuts in the defence budget. Mr Campbell invariably sounds as if he knows what he is talking about. That is why he is so often on radio and television. Few other party spokesmen sound as authoritative. Improving the quality of Liberal Democrat MPs, and candidates in winnable seats, is essential if the party is to be a credible national force.

PETER RIDDELL

Bruce undercuts Labour and Tories with 10p tax rate

BY NICHOLAS WOOD CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

INCOME tax for up to 6 million low-paid workers could be cut to 10p in the pound, the Liberal Democrat leaders said yesterday as they performed a belated U-turn over economic policy.

With Labour floating the idea of reducing the basic rate of tax to 15 per cent and the Tories battling to reassert their traditional claim to be the party of low taxation, Malcolm Bruce, the Liberal Democrats' new Treasury spokesman, drastically revised proposals published only weeks ago.

In a move aimed at preventing his party being saddled with a high-tax image, Mr Bruce spoke of the need for "radical cuts in taxes", ditched the plan for a "penal" top rate of 60 per cent, and put forward the idea of a starting rate of 10 per cent.

He also proposed a far-reaching restructuring of the tax system with road-pricing and new taxes on energy and pollution taking a bigger share of the burden at present borne by income tax.

Paddy Ashdown backed his "courageous" move, saying it was unsupportable to label his party the "high-tax party" when for much of the 1980s Margaret Thatcher had a top tax rate of 60 per cent.

But Labour scorned the move as the "one of the quickest U-turns in political history" and the Conservatives said it was mere "window dressing" designed to hide an assault on middle-class voters.

Speaking to reporters at the party conference in Brighton, Mr Bruce said that a shift from direct to indirect taxes could leave even middle-income groups paying less income tax.

LIBERAL DEMOCRATS IN BRIGHTON

At the last election, the Liberal Democrats pledged an extra 1p on the basic rate of income tax to pay for higher education spending. The policy paper published by Alan Beith, the former Treasury spokesman, which will be debated by delegates tomorrow, pursued this approach, proposing a top tax rate of 60 *per cent for the 95,000 people* earning over £100,000 and limited help for the low-paid.

But yesterday, Mr Bruce backtracked, highlighting his 10p proposal and saying he personally believed that a top rate of 50 per cent was high enough. He also opened bidding in the pocket-book auction under way for the voters of Middle England, who have been reassured by Tony Blair's remark that he thinks they are paying enough taxes.

"Who is going to get middle-income voters? We think we can take them on board with an honest debate that says we are sensitive to your needs to pay your taxes within reasonable bands. But at the same time, we also recognise you need consistency, stability and decent investment in public services because most of these people do not buy private education and health because they cannot afford it.

"We are proposing to introduce environmental taxes. A number of those taxes will create significant revenue opportunities, which can be applied to lower the tax burden on the low income groups and to some extent to protect the tax rates for middle groups.

"It does not follow that in income tax terms the people on middle incomes will pay more. It is even possible they may pay less."

Alistair Darling, a Labour Treasury spokesman, said: "Liberal Democrat tax plans are in disarray. They are desperately trying to be different as Labour has captured so much of their ground."

Mr Bruce confirmed that the Liberal Democrats would raise the £23,000 ceiling on national insurance contributions. This would mean the better-off paying a 9 per cent levy on all earnings above this sum. But the policy document proposes to offset the impact of such a change by introducing a new tax band for people earning about £32,000 a year. Their new marginal tax rate would be lower than the present 40 per cent.



Bruce: belated U-turn over economic policy



TONY WHITE

Alex Wilcock: "The leaders don't want a republic because they've mixed with the Establishment and been corrupted"

Party urged to roll up and rave

BY ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

ALEX Wilcock, one of the young firebrands of the Liberal Democrats, will cause party elders acute embarrassment today. Late this afternoon, he will go to the rostrum and commit the ultimate in *lèse-majesté* by proposing that Prince Charles should never play the king.

Most youth wings delight in rocking the political boat, but the Liberal Democrats Youth and Students wing is excelling itself at Brighton this year. Not only does Mr Wilcock, the group's chairman, want to scrap the Queen and turn the corgis out of Buckingham Palace, he also wants Paddy Ashdown to roll his own joints and give his backing to rave parties.

Mr Ashdown has so far gritted his teeth and put it all down to natural exuberance. Mr Wilcock, 22, a politics student from Essex University, remains unabashed. "I am the only member on the party's policy committee who is brave enough to say that getting rid of the monarchy should be part of our package on constitutional reform like proportional representation.

"I don't think the Queen should be forced into a council house, but her children would enjoy having jobs. We wouldn't be so obsessed by Prince Charles's bedroom frolics and Princess Anne could even run for President. The only reason the party leaders don't want a republic is because they have mixed with the Establishment and have been corrupted with gifts of titles and garden parties."

Mr Wilcock is a typical example of the Liberal youth species. Dressed in jeans jacket and sloganed T-shirt and festooned in bracelets, necklaces, badges and an Aids ribbon, he wanders around clutching a beige ethnic duffle bag that matches his unwashed hair. He refuses to drive a car, is semi-vegetarian and drinks pints of lemonade.

He joined the party at 16 in 1987 after winning a mock election for the Liberals at his school in Haslemere. He warned Mr Ashdown that his nursery-mates will not tolerate any cosying up to the Labour Party. "Tony Blair is a vacillating fool and is irrelevant to our aims," he said.

"People want quality of life. Our members are strong environmentalists and strongly in favour of freedom, which does mean giving teenagers the right to have contraceptives and letting people smoke soft drugs."

Whatever happens in the debate on turning Britain into a republic, Mr Ashdown may be relieved to know that Mr Wilcock has no plans to become an MP. "Then I would have to keep my mouth shut and toe the party line," he said.

Labour gives Ashdown the cold shoulder

BY OUR CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR yesterday snubbed Paddy Ashdown's tentative moves towards a partnership between the two parties.

After the Liberal Democrat leader indicated that he was prepared to reconsider his past neutrality towards the big two parties nearer the next election, Jack Straw, the shadow Environment Secretary, dismissed Mr Ashdown's troops as the "scavengers of British politics".

Mr Straw said on BBC radio that the Liberal Democrats would do anything to gain power and complained bitterly about their activities in some town halls.

"In some parts of the country, they are following a pretty nasty right-wing agenda. In Tower Hamlets this time last year, Paddy Ashdown was refusing to do anything about the near-racialist policies followed by his colleagues in Tower Hamlets," he said.

In Walsall, Liberal Democrat councillors were poised to back Tory-inspired moves "to ban free speech and free assembly" in the town centre. "We cannot possibly do deals with the Liberal Democrats and we have no intention of doing so."

A partnership between the two parties of the kind suggested by Baroness Williams, one of the Gang of Four who founded the SDP, would be a "fraud on the electorate".

As Mr Ashdown again tried *to preserve party unity by* delaying consideration of links with other parties to nearer the election, the Conservatives also scorned talk of deals.

Dame Angela Rumbold said the Liberal Democrats represented the left and were effectively an adjunct of the Labour Party.

Lady Williams backtracked slightly yesterday in the internal dispute over cross-party links, saying Mr Ashdown was right to proceed cautiously until Mr Blair had shown the "shape and character" of his leadership.

But party activists continued to press Mr Ashdown to repudiate the "arrogant has-beens" from the Gang of Four.

An editorial in *Liberator*, a journal for "radical liberals", said that if Lady Williams, Lord Jenkins and Lord Rodgers thought the Blair-led Labour Party was so wonderful, they should go and join it. The Liberal Democrats needed to be "against the Tories and different from Labour".

Activists take hard line on privatisation

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY AND ALICE THOMSON

THE Liberal Democrats yesterday aired their hostility to the Government's privatisation programme by condemning plans to sell off the Post Office and demanding tighter regulation of water companies.

The party leadership only narrowly beat off grassroots demands for the renationalisation of water at an estimated cost of £10 billion. Instead, the conference voted for stricter regulation of water prices to curb excessive profits, punitive taxation of profits from the encashment of directors' share options and legislation to make it illegal to cut off the water supply to customers.

In the Post Office debate, activists stopped short of demanding no change in the face of new commercial pressures and fierce competition. They backed a motion supporting greater commercialisation by giving the Royal Mail access to private sector capital to fund new ventures.

The motion criticised the Government's sell-off proposals as "another example of Tory obsession with imposing an ideological straitjacket of *unfettered free-market* economics on a viable and efficient public concern".

Nick Harvey, a trade and industry spokesman and MP for North Devon, said the Government needed the cash from its planned "sortie to the pawnbrokers" to make up for up for its mismanagement of the economy. "So long as the Government intends to privatise the Royal Mail and separate it from the Post Office, we cannot believe assurances about the future of either."

Ramesh Dewan, from Hertsmere, said that a sell-off would lead to the closure of rural sub-post offices, bringing ruin to many Asian families that ran them.

In the water debate, Matthew Taylor, the environment spokesman, whose Truro constituency has seen some of the highest increases to pay for cleaning up West Country beaches, pleaded with delegates not to vote for a return to public ownership. "Renationalisation is the wrong answer because it will cost around £10 billion. That is five times what the Liberal Democrats promised to invest in education at the last election."

Mr Taylor urged delegates not to give ammunition to the opposition parties by expensive spending pledges. "If £10 billion is available, let's spend it on our children, our health services, on housing the homeless and giving jobs to the jobless," he said.

Speakers at the conference were vitriolic in their attacks against the big pay awards to company directors and the large hikes of on average 67 per cent in water costs since privatisation. Nigel Priestley, prospective parliamentary candidate for Colne Valley, likened water privatisation to the creation of a Frankenstein's monster and said the chairman of North West Water would earn £926 for a day's work today.

The conference also moved to underpin rural support for the Liberal Democrats by approving a policy paper calling for greater use of tourism and cottage industries as a partial replacement for the declining agricultural sector.

The party approved a a revised form of the Common Agricultural Policy in which farming would not be the only source of revenue.

Defence cuts call rejected

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Liberal Democrat leadership yesterday fought off renewed calls by party activists for a policy of scrapping the nuclear defence programme and cutting defence spending.

Menzies Campbell, the defence spokesman, issued a firm warning to the conference that the party had to be realistic in setting defence spending targets. He admitted that previous party forecasts that the defence budget could be halved by 2000 were no longer feasible, insisting that increasing fears about the instability of Eastern Europe required present spending levels to be maintained. European countries might indeed have to increase defence expenditure, he said.

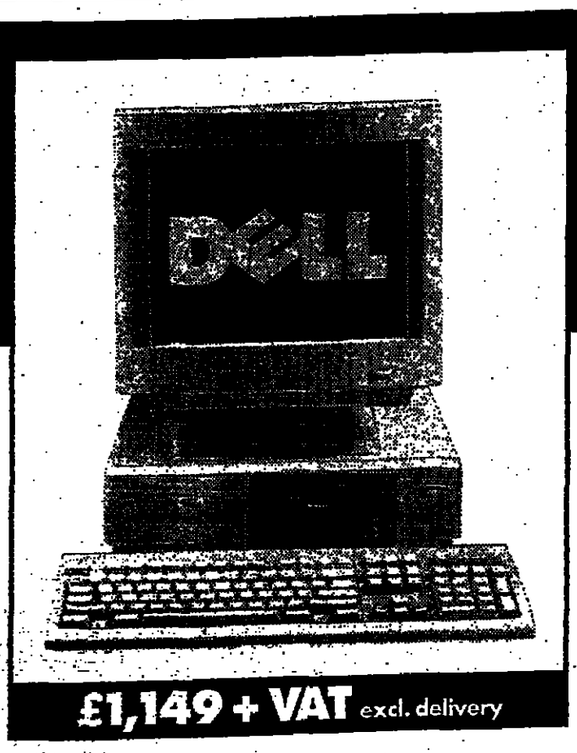
He told the conference that Britain had to retain its present commitments, and argued that spending cuts would hit defence establishments in some of the party's strongholds in southwest England.

Although Mr Campbell persuaded the conference to reject calls for defence cuts, a series of speakers pressed the leadership to reconsider its policy. Margaret Sharp, from Guildford, said: "We can't afford to go on spending on defence at current levels. We should be aiming to get down in proportional terms to the same point as our European partners.

Supporters of unilateral nuclear disarmament were less conspicuous than at previous conferences, but several speakers demanded that the party withdraw its support from the Trident nuclear submarine programme.

Jake Jacobs led criticism of the party's document on defence policy. "I know of no paper in more danger of bringing this party into disrepute," he said, adding that it contained little to distinguish the party from its opponents.

The conference defeated all efforts to water down the document, which calls for a reformed United Nations, stricter controls on arms sales and retention of Britain's minimum nuclear deterrent.



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Pressure on peacekeepers as Sarajevo clashes escalate

Rose threatens new airstrikes

FROM ANTHONY LOYD IN VITEZ

IN THE worst escalation of fighting in Sarajevo since the United Nations' imposition of a heavy weapons exclusion zone around the capital in February, Bosnian troops fired several hundred mortar rounds at Serb forces to the northeast of the city late on Sunday afternoon, prompting Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, the UN commander in Bosnia, to threaten both sides with airstrikes.

French UN troops at a weapons collection point three miles north of the city centre were temporarily taken hostage during the Serbs' retaliatory action, in which they seized three heavy mortars which they fired into the city, killing two people. At least 18 others, most of them civilians, were wounded in the exchanges.

Accusing the Sarajevo government of a provocative action "incomprehensible to the civilised mind", General Rose said: "I told the government: 'If you don't stop it immediately we will be using air power against you.'" He later confirmed that he had "already been in consultation with Nato on the targets". General Rose's criticism brought a promise from President Izetbegovic of Bosnia to halt provocative attacks on Bosnian Serbs around Sarajevo.

The city yesterday endured its sixth consecutive day without water, electricity or gas due to Serb actions. A gun battle in the suburb of Dobrinja left two Bosnian and two Serb soldiers dead.

There is growing controversy over the subsequent actions of both the Bosnian and Serb forces, and particulary the UN's reaction to it. A Bosnian attack supported by between 350 and 400 82mm mortar rounds went some way to seizing a Serb-held stretch of road held that links the suburb of Vogosca with the Bosnian Serbs' self-styled capital at Pale. These were fired from four locations within the city and were monitored by UN troops.

Appearing to lose some ground, the Serbs then fired back using heavier 120mm mortars they seized from the UN weapons collection point at Poljine to the north, having first blockaded the French UN troops in their command post with mines. The use of both types of mortar is clearly forbidden under the terms of the exclusion-zone agreement.

The Serb targets included the UN headquarters in Sarajevo and the presidential building, and though they fired only 12 mortar rounds, these seem to have caused the bulk of the casualties. A Danish nurse in the UN headquarters was also slightly wounded by the accompanying small arms fire.

The UN immediately contacted the Bosnian command, requesting that they halt their offensive actions, while asking the Serbs to release the French troops at Poljine and encouraging them not to respond to the Bosnian provocation.

General Rose has been under increasing pressure from both Nato and the Americans to take a stronger stance against the Serbs, and to upgrade the strength of the UN forces' reactions to Serb fire.

In common with Yasushi Akashi, the UN special representative, he is reluctant to do this for fear of crossing the so called "Mogadishu line" and have UN troops directly embroiled in the fighting.

At an airport meeting yesterday with UN commanders, both the Bosnians and Serbs agreed "in principle" to halt their attacks and allow for a UN inspection of the scene of the fighting with a view to the "possible establishment" of another UN observation post.



Friends of Samir Kapo, 13, killed by a sniper, pray at his funeral in Sarajevo yesterday

Yugoslav military 'close to bankruptcy'

YUGOSLAVIA'S military is almost bankrupt, its officers are leaving in large numbers and its planes are crashing more frequently because there is not enough money to keep them airworthy (Tim Judah writes). Dissatisfaction has been increasing for years but for the first time the military hierarchy is publicly demanding more money, warning that its officers will no longer be able put their country first if they cannot afford to feed their families.

An editorial in *Vojska*, the army magazine, points out that policemen are paid a third more than soldiers. An article in *Argument*, the Belgrade weekly, by Miroslav Lazanski, a leading military commentator, also details the humiliations now being faced by the military. "Tank experts are going to Botswana to sell fridges and air-conditioning units," he says. "The world expert on composite rocket fuels, who could not live on a monthly salary of £104, left the army and started a chicken farm."

Helicopter pilots have resigned to work in the North Sea, where they can earn £3,870 a month instead of £190, he says, adding that air force pilots are now working "in the private flying schools of Texas ranchers".

Mr Lazanski also points out that "patriotism and talking about the shining traditions of the Serbian and Montenegrin armies are not enough to stop a further brain drain".

UN is likely to ease sanctions on Serbia

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

THE United Nations Security Council yesterday opened the debate on easing international sanctions against Serbia and Montenegro.

It is expected to give the green light to reopening Belgrade airport to foreign flights and to suspending sanctions on sporting and cultural contacts. The relaxation will depend on an expected favourable report from international monitors who have been sent to confirm that Serbia's blockade of the Bosnian Serbs is genuine.

A full UN embargo of the rump Yugoslavia was imposed 28 months ago because of Serbia's involvement in the Bosnian war. However, despite vigorous efforts by the authorities to paint the latest moves as a diplomatic triumph, the prospect of the easing of sanctions has done little to lift the prevailing despondency in Serbia, although the pro-government media has been proclaiming the end of the country's international isolation.

Even after the sanctions currently under discussion have been eased the country will still labour under a total trade and oil embargo and its economy will remain in dire straits.

Fairytale ending eludes Prague's king of the castle

■ Five years after the fall of communism, Anne McElvoy takes a look at Czechoslovakia

In Prague's Wenceslas Square, where five years ago in November students and police clashed in the last, brutal battle of the doomed order, today's voices merge in a cacophonous Eurobabble. The restaurant menus are printed in English and German, with Czech relegated inside. Wares on offer range from fast food to marijuana and escort girls.

The once eerie boulevard, with grubby neon signs advertising the limited travel routes of Eastern European airlines, has been transformed into a trashier version of Oxford Street. This is a city with the frenetic energy of Paris in the late Sixties or West Berlin in the early Eighties. Mappin & Webb, the upmarket London jeweller, has just set up shop.

The election of Vaclav Havel, the dissident playwright, as President of what was then Czechoslovakia marked a fairytale ending to the country's miserable years under the Soviet yoke. With former communists back at the helm across the old eastern bloc, it seemed then to be the one country where the drama of 1989 had a moral, rather than a merely pragmatic ending.

For the paragon of dissident virtue, however, the times have soured. "The Castle", as both his residence and administrative offices are known, may dominate the skyline and draw the tourists to photograph its designer-clad guards, but its inhabitant is a lonely man. His coterie from the years in the underground movement was ousted from power when Vaclav Klaus and his Civic Democratic Party swept to power in 1992 in an alliance of economic rightwingers and Christian Democrats.

Nowadays it is Prime Minister Klaus, with his austere economic policies and technocrat allies in the industrial sector, who is the de facto leader in the country. He draws scorn from President Havel, who prefers a more moderate approach to reform and remains concerned about the socially divisive effects of rapid change.

Mr Klaus profited, firstly, from the splintering in 1992 of Civic Forum which, in common with other dissident movements in the bloc, was united by what it opposed rather than what it supported, and, secondly, from the Czech-Slovak split at the beginning of last year.

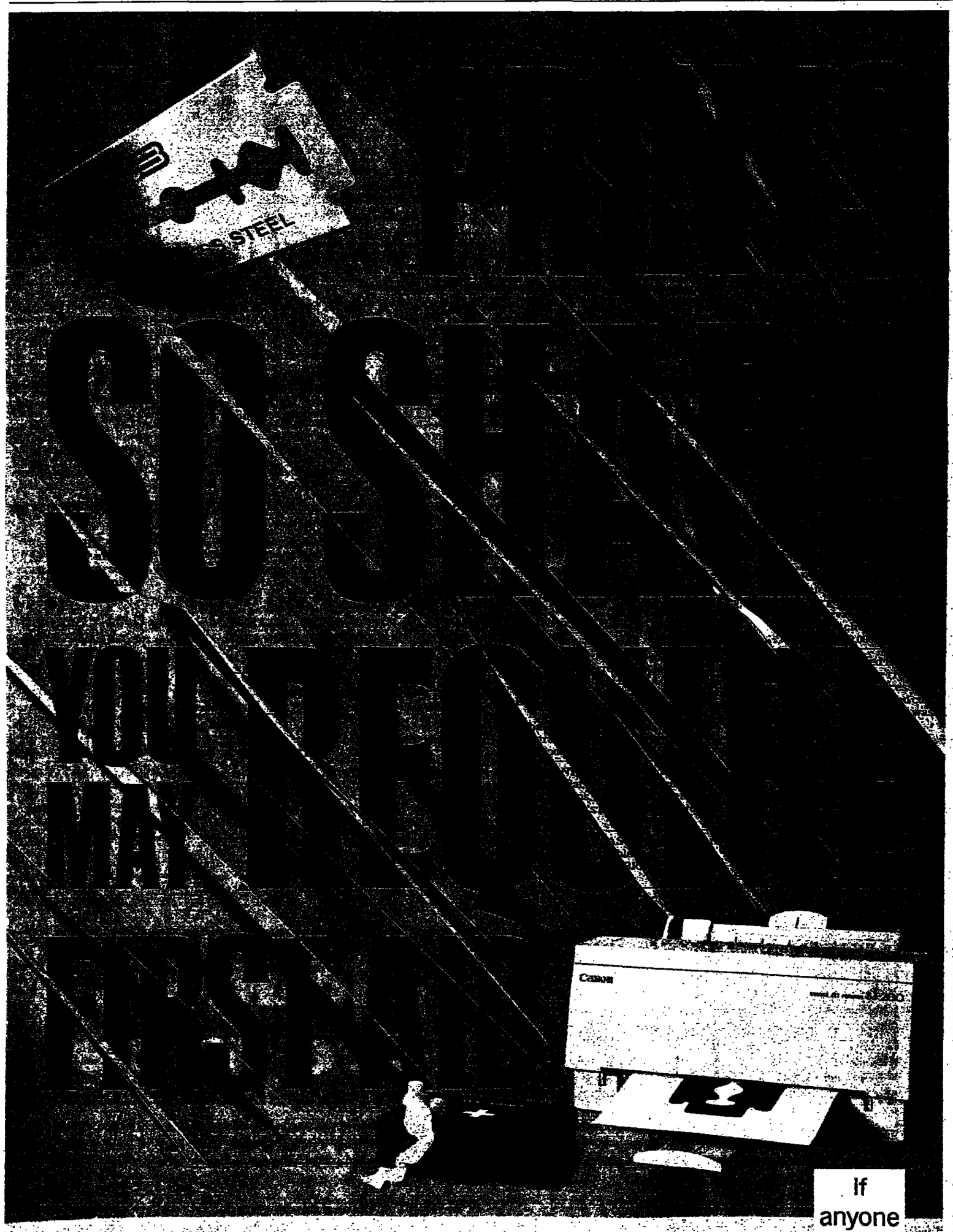
Whereas President Havel would have preferred to have prevented the break-up of Czechoslovakia and had to fight to hang on to his post in its wake, Mr Klaus was quick to seize on the task of overseeing the separation as a means of consolidating his grip on policy making.

Gossip is rife in Prague about the worsening relations between the two men. They rarely meet, and Mr Havel is presently engaged in a campaign to wrest back influence.

Liberals fear that the country's prewar history, which saw the political party machinery overshadowing democratic processes, may recur, given Mr Klaus's attachment to the clique of industrial managers and his hostility to press criticism. This month, the editor of the conservative *Denni Telegraf* newspaper was sacked, allegedly at Mr Klaus's instigation, after the paper had questioned the involvement of former KGB and StB or secret police agents in the privatisation of the oil industry.

The President's friends remain fiercely loyal to him. A professor of political studies at Charles University, who is still a close friend, said: "He is fighting back, determined to defend the achievements of 1989 and his vision of a civil society."

But Mr Havel's soft admonitions go unheard in the noisy city below. As dusk falls, its stark grandeur reminds one of Hilaire Belloc's view of "an immense, unbroken sheer blank wall". Behind it lives a man struggling through the grey days, weighing triumph against disappointment.



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Kohl buoyed by economic upturn before election

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

HELMUT Kohl, the German Chancellor, was given an electoral boost yesterday with figures and forecasts suggesting that the economy is about to make a strong recovery. One report, compiled by a Frankfurt-based consultancy, questioned 11,000 senior managers about their profit and turnover expectations and came up with "the best results for five years".

Similar conclusions were reached by the Munich-based IFO Institute, which indicated that companies expected a 2.75 per cent increase in production this year and a 3.5 per cent rise next year. When asked in the spring for their estimates, the companies expected a 1.2 per cent increase this year and 2.5 per cent next.

Herr Kohl's Christian Democrat Party has been quick to exploit the change of mood. Yesterday it ordered posters depicting Herr Kohl as the natural pilot of a booming German economy. The raw figures certainly indicate that the economy is genuinely on the road to recovery rather than just being talked up by the politicians.

Inflation has slowed to an annual rate of about 2.5 per cent. Moreover, inflation in eastern Germany is only marginally higher — a sign that the East is dragging itself out of the doldrums. Production levels are high in the East thanks not only to construction but also to manufacturing industry. Eastern German factories have recovered from the dramatic plunge of 1990-1992 and have returned to the buoyant level that was recorded in the early months after monetary union with West Germany. Order books are filling quicklyin East and West. Wage increases came down from about 5.5 per cent in 1992 and 4 per cent last year to 2 per cent this year. Industry is thus displaying the pattern of previous economic upswings.

The question is whether Herr Kohl's assumption that economic recovery will carry him back to power on October 16 still holds good. The conventional wisdom is being challenged in the United States and Britain.

The American recovery, for example, has entered its fourth year. Growth is expected to be a strong 4 per cent this year, annual inflation is a mere 3 per cent, yet President Clinton's popularity ratings (at least before the Haiti breakthrough) are low. The British Government, too, is confronting a similar psychological gap, with the economy growing well and the Prime Minister's ratings falling.

The Chancellor has two political problems stemming from the economy. The first is that the better results have pushed to one side his earlier commitment to modernise and deregulate the economy. When the economy was looking particularly bleak a year ago, the air was thick with calls for self-sacrifice, for flexible and part-time working schemes and for longer shopping hours. Now such appeals are unpopular and the Chancellor — unlike Günter Rexrodt, his Free Democrat Economics Minister — has fallen silent on the subject.

The second element of the economic recovery is that it is making little impact on the basic level of unemployment. The latest figures indicate that the number of jobless is dropping slightly, but the annual unemployment level is likely to stay at about 3.8 million this year and next. The fear of unemployment has become a potent political factor and is the single biggest contributory element in the success of the former communist party.



Salvatore Riina, the Mafia leader, who yesterday went on trial in Sicily with 36 other mobsters for the 1992 murder of Giovanni Falcone, the anti-Mafia judge

Opéra drama reaches last act

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

SECURITY of a kind usually reserved for rock concerts or football matches was in force at the Paris Opéra last night ready for possible action against fans aggrieved by the sacking of Myung Whun Chung, its popular musical director.

Supporters and orchestra members were said to be plotting a show of support for Mr Chung during the opening night of Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra*, which he has been allowed to conduct as his swansong at the troubled theatre.

The ten performances he is conducting were negotiated by order of a judge. They will theoretically bring down the curtain on the tragicomedy that has pitted the musical director against Hugues Gall, the administrator.

The bitterness generated by the ugly public feud is however likely to poison the climate [illegible] the theatre on the Place de la Bastille for some time. Mr Chung, who took over in 1989 after the sacking of Daniel Barenboim, was unceremoniously thrown out in August after refusing to scrap his lavish contract.

A court reinstated him, but Jean-Paul Cluzel, the interim director, locked him out, provoking the orchestra to threaten a strike. Court-supervised talks finally allowed Mr Chung to return for the latest [illegible] million francs (£1.25 million) [illegible] the saddest victor [illegible]

Loren retains allure at 60

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

ITALIANS paid tribute to Sophia Loren's ageless beauty as the screen goddess prepared to pass her 60th birthday without fanfare today, saying "maybe I'm just a little housewife".

"She is a star who has no age," *La Repubblica* mused. *Il Messaggero* said: "The *grande dame* of international cinema still has something adolescent about her."

Loren said she would probably spend the day "wandering the streets of my youth". She added: "I believe in marriage, work, children, fidelity and in my roots — maybe that means I'm just a little housewife."



Loren: "I'm just a little housewife"

Sweden's move to left upsets markets

FROM NICHOLAS GEORGE IN STOCKHOLM

SWEDEN'S Social Democrats seem about to form a minority government with the financial markets already fearing that they will be unable to introduce the austerity measures needed to ease the country's economic woes.

Headed by Ingvar Carlsson, 59, the former Prime Minister, the party took 45.6 per cent of the vote in the general election on Sunday, with the electorate moving left, firmly rejecting the Conservative-led coalition government of Carl Bildt. But under the system of proportional representation, the Social Democrats fell 13 seats short of an absolute majority.

Mr Bildt's government has presided over the worst recession in Sweden since the 1930s, with unemployment at 14 per cent, high interest rates and a weak currency. Voters appear to have yearned for the security of past affluence and are keen to protect the welfare state that the Social Democrats designed while in power for more than 50 of the past 60 years.

The business sector had hoped that the party would form a coalition with the small Liberal Party. That seems unlikely because of the Liberals' poor showing at the polls.

Mr Carlsson has also effectively ruled out a coalition government with the former Communists, now known as the Left Party, and the Greens. Both parties campaigned against Swedish membership of the European Union and cuts in welfare spending. They now control 40 seats between them.

Instead, the Social Democrats look determined to form a minority government gaining support from Left or Right issue by issue. Mr Carlsson has emphasised his intention to cut the budget deficit which now runs at 13 per cent of GDP. During the campaign the party unveiled a package of tax increases and spending cuts. However, even proposals for small savings in child benefits [illegible] and provoked [illegible] party's traditional supporters to move to the Left and Green parties.

Blast kills top officer in Athens

Athens: Constantine Mitsotakis, the former Greek Prime Minister, yesterday accused the Socialist government of being soft on terrorism after a senior police officer was killed in an explosion as he boarded a police bus (Malcolm Brabant writes). The left-wing group November 17 claimed responsibility for the blast, in which two other police officers were seriously injured.

The first legislative act of Andreas Papandreou, the Socialist Prime Minister, was to repeal what he regarded as the undemocratic anti-terrorist law introduced by Mr Mitsotakis after his son in law was shot dead by November 17 in 1989. The law banned newspapers from publishing the statements of terrorist organisations.

Zulu talks

Ulundi: President Mandela met King Goodwill Zwelithini and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, leader of the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party, to discuss the future role of the Zulu monarchy.

Volcano fear

Port Moresby: Papua New Guinea declared an emergency around the northeastern port town of Rabaul after 30,000 people fled erupting volcanoes and earth tremors on New Britain. *(Reuter)*

Cane withheld

Singapore: Five foreign youths, including two Britons and an American who were arrested for stealing car emblems, will not be caned as the case has been classified as theft. *(Reuter)*

Cholera strikes

Tirana: Poverty-stricken Albania has been hit by its first cholera epidemic since 1927. About 160 suspected cases are being treated, 40 of them in the isolation wing of Tirana military hospital.

Panda progeny

Peking: Qingqing, 18, the [illegible] panda [illegible] served as a [illegible] when [illegible] hosted the Asian Games four years ago, gave birth to a cub weighing 5.5 ounces. *(Reuter)*

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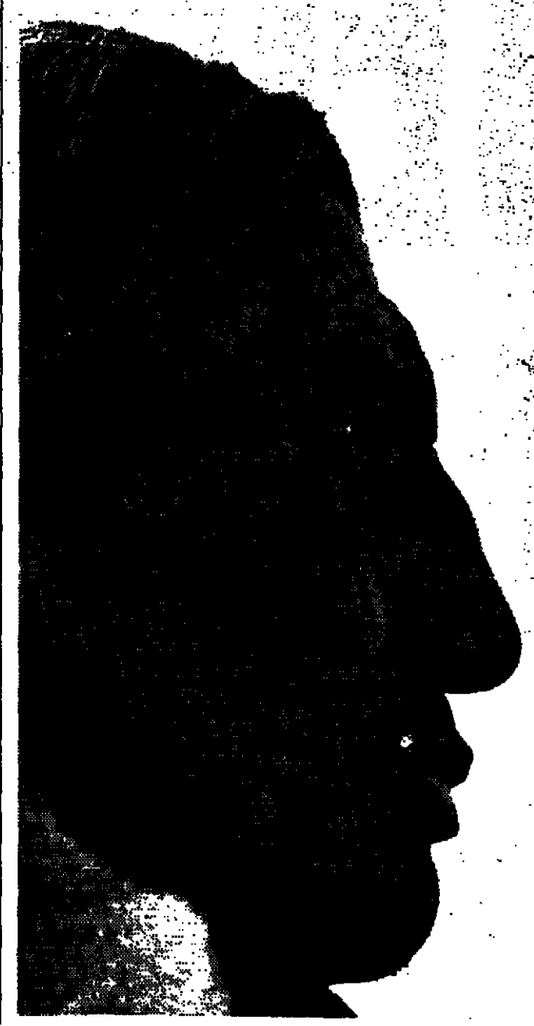
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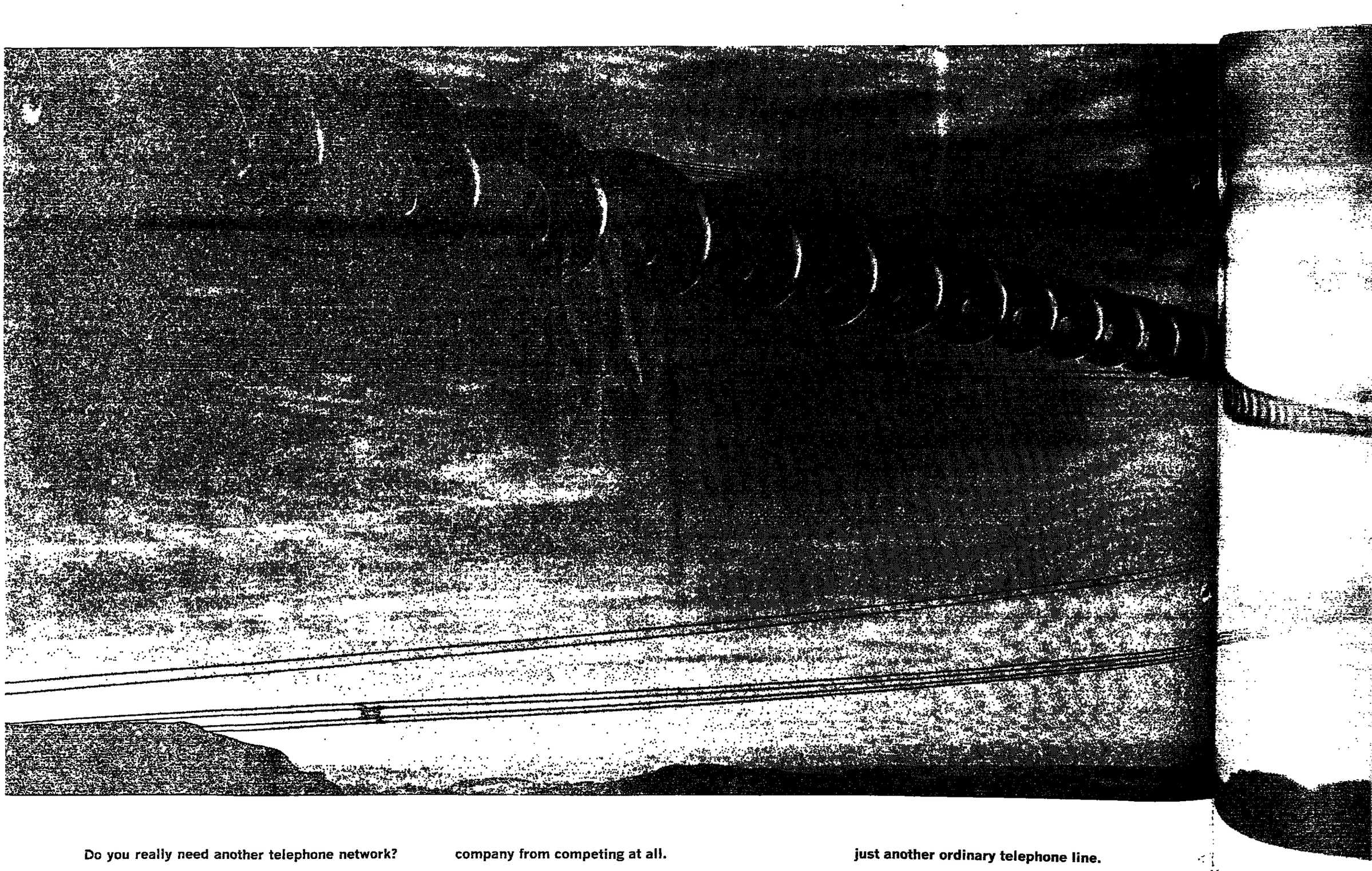
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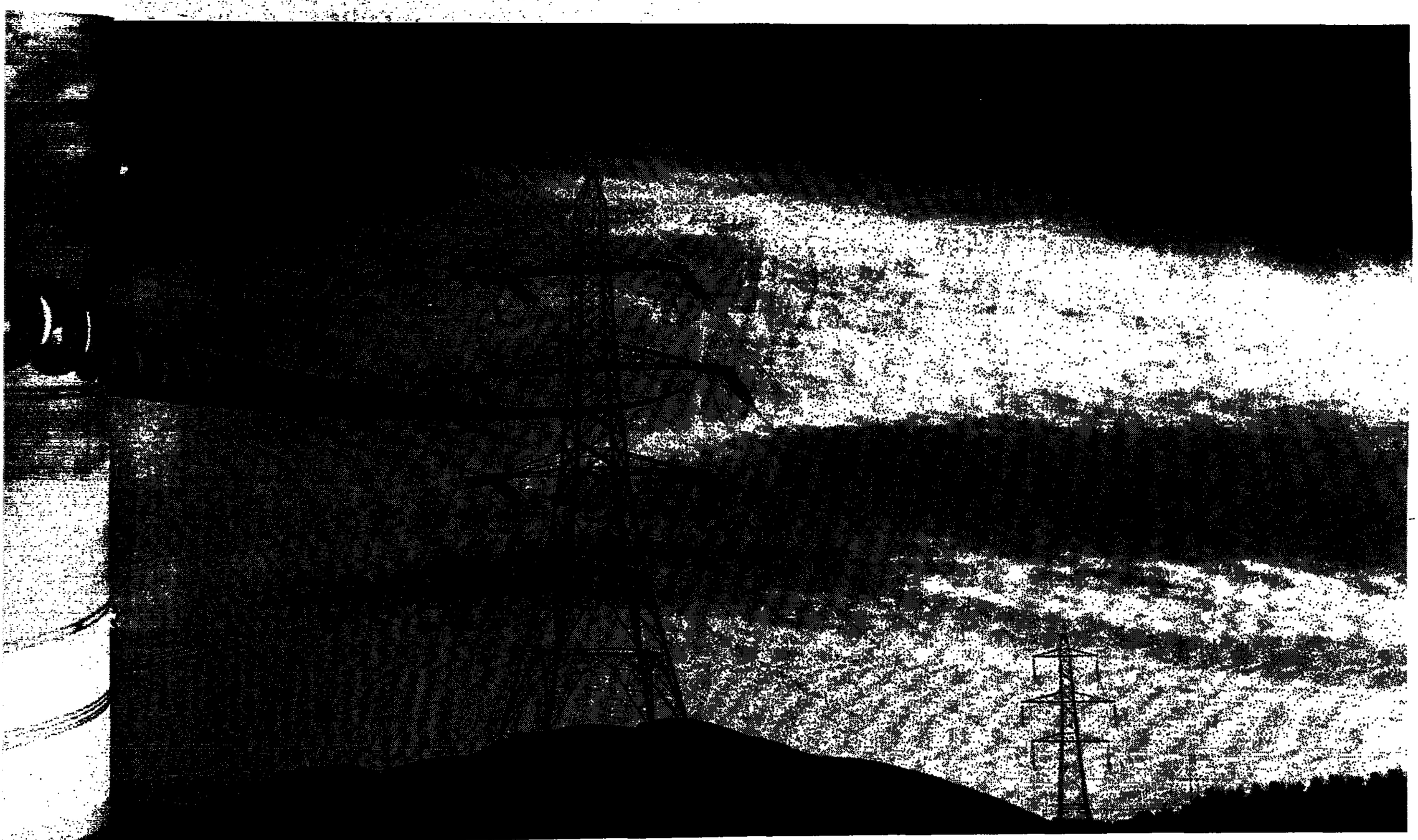
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Jubilant White House calls for pizza after show of force drives junta from power

Secret call to colonel pulled Haiti from brink of invasion

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

BILL Clinton's roller-coaster presidency has been filled with cliffhangers, but for sheer drama none matched Sunday night's last-gasp deal aborting a full-scale US invasion of Haiti.

The denouement began at 6.00pm when Philippe Biamby, the Haitian army Chief of Staff, burst into the room at Haiti's military headquarters where after 11 hours of talks Jimmy Carter, the former President, had almost clinched the agreement of Lieutenant-General Raoul Cédras, the junta's leader, to stand down.

Colonel Biamby was clutching a cellular telephone. "They're coming," he declared. Sixty-one US planes packed with paratroopers had taken off from US bases and were heading for Haiti. "We must immediately break off these talks and marshall our forces," he announced.

COUNTDOWN TO PEACE

In desperation Mr Carter persuaded General Cédras to accompany him to the National Palace to see Emile Jonaissant, Haiti's 81-year-old army-installed President. Mr Jonaissant summoned his de facto Cabinet to hear the terms of the agreement. Almost every minister rejected it, but Mr Jonaissant overruled them. "We'll have peace, not war," he announced, and the deal was done.

Mr Carter flashed the news to the Oval Office where Mr Clinton had spent the day huddled with his closest aides in an agony of suspense, privately urging Mr Carter to get out before the invasion began. A copy of the agreement was faxed to the White House and minutely scrutinised. At 7.45pm Mr Clinton assented. The planes were turned back 75 minutes into their flight. The formidable US armada assembled off Haiti's coast was stood down. The Oval Office erupted in celebration and pizza was ordered as America's vastly relieved President prepared to address the nation.

Mr Carter's delegation had reached Port-au-Prince on a government plane on Saturday morning. He had earlier established a rapport with General Cédras when he monitored Haiti's first free elections in 1990. General Colin Powell, the former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was greatly admired by the Haitian junta as a fellow black who had risen to the very top of the US military. Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, was to convince the junta that Mr Clinton really would invade regardless of congressional opposition.

Mr Carter said the turning point came early on Sunday morning when the US delegation visited General Cédras at his house and met his wife — "one of the strongest and most powerful women I've ever met". She was adamantly opposed to any deal but General Powell emphasised that the tiny Haitian army stood no chance. Mr Carter said the junta's leaders and their families would be hurt and the Haitan army destroyed. The choice was to leave with dignity or fight and be humiliated. Gradually they brought her round and General Cédras, previously adamant that he would not resign, began to relent.

The talks resumed at the military headquarters. The Carter delegation missed its noon deadline for pulling out. At 2.00pm John Shalikashvili, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, turned to Mr Clinton and asked if the invasion was to take place that night. "Pack 'em," the President replied. Twice during the afternoon Mr Carter, the ultimate peacemaker, persuaded the reluctant President to give him more time. In the White House the tension became so great that Anthony Lake, the President's National Security Adviser, and Bill Gray, his special envoy to Haiti, both developed agonising toothaches.

Then came Colonel Biamby's dramatic entry. US television networks knew the planes had taken off but had promised the Pentagon not to broadcast the fact. The identity of Mr Biamby's informant remains a mystery. The Administration denied that it told him. Mr Carter believed it was a Haitian-American working for the US military. Whoever it was, their timely call averted the invasion..

At midnight, as the first paratroopers would have been landing and special operations forces storming ashore, Mr Jonaissant broadcast his own address to the nation. A US force had been on its way to "wipe us out", he said. "After thinking it over, with the help of the High Command, I thought no, we couldn't let the annihilation of Haiti happen without reason."

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The buck stops here: the Oval Office in ferment on Sunday, hours before the invasion was aborted. Once again, the famous room and its desk were the focus of a world drama, a place where anxious figures met to make life-or-death decisions (Ian Brodie writes).

On Sunday evening, President Clinton conferred with his foreign policy advisers and talked by telephone with Jimmy Carter, who was in Port-au-Prince negotiating the removal of Haiti's junta and the peaceful restoration of the ousted President, Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

The scene appears familiar because it reminiscent of other Presidents at critical moments of history: Kennedy during the Cuban missile crisis, Johnson and the Vietnam Tet offensive, Mr Carter himself during the failed rescue mission for American hostages in Iran, and George Bush orchestrating the Gulf War's final hours.

Mr Clinton's advisers on Sunday, from left to right, were: William Perry, Defence Secretary, General John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, David Gergen, senior adviser for foreign policy, Al Gore, the vice-President (still on crutches after rupturing an achilles tendon), Warren Christopher, Secretary of State, Leon Panetta, White House Chief of Staff, Strobe Talbott, deputy Secretary of State, and the President. The picture was released by the White House.

Clinton's night of drama in the Oval Office

'Flawed' agreement tempers Washington's sense of relief

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

WHITE House officials moved swiftly yesterday to rally support for Sunday night's dramatic eleventh-hour agreement with Haiti's military regime. While there was widespread relief in Washington that an invasion had been averted, there was considerable scepticism about the terms of the deal.

President Aristide, Haiti's exiled leader, said nothing personally, but Michael Barnes, his lawyer, called it a "highly imperfect agreement". Randall Robinson, the black civil rights activist whose hunger strike had nudged Mr Clinton towards military intervention, said it was "terribly flawed". Congressional Democrats mostly supported the deal but many Republicans were openly critical.

The agreement's shortcomings are obvious. Firstly, it does not immediately remove Haiti's ruling military junta from power as Mr Clinton had previously insisted. Lieutenant-General Raoul Cédras and his colleagues will not have to resign until October 15, and only then will Mr Aristide return. Mr Clinton argued that the presence of 15,000 US troops on the ground would ensure the junta would not break its word.

Secondly, the agreement does not stipulate that the regime's leaders must leave Haiti. Administration officials

THE DEAL

yesterday insisted that, as a practical matter, they would choose exile rather than to remain in a country they had so brutally oppressed. Jimmy Carter, the former President and leader of the delegation that secured the deal, disagreed, saying that General Cédras had not mentioned leaving and Colonel Philippe Biamby, the Army Chief of Staff, had said he would die rather than leave.

Thirdly, it envisages a general amnesty for Haiti's military. In all probability, this means nobody will ever be held to account for the 1991 coup that toppled Mr Aristide and for what Mr Clinton only last week denounced as a "reign of terror".

Administration officials explained the compromises by saying that the leaders had had to be given an honourable way out to persuade them to resign. "A lot of this was face-saving," one said.

The immediate fall-out will almost certainly be beneficial for Mr Clinton, who has been spared having to order an invasion for which there was practically no public support.

But the concern of many congressmen is that enforcement of the deal will not go smoothly. The 15,000 US troops may be going into Haiti with the regime's consent but, with the junta still in power and Haiti a cauldron of bitter enmities, they could still be victims of hit-and-run attacks or caught in the crossfire of a quasi-civil war.

Mediator hailed as national hero in America

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

Jimmy Carter was hailed as a national hero yesterday, more than 13 years after his reputation as a "wimp" helped to end his presidency in a massive election defeat.

With his peacemaking deal in Haiti, Mr Carter has rescued President Clinton's foreign policy for the second time this summer. The first was his negotiation of a breakthrough in the nuclear standoff with North Korea.

Mr Carter, 69, could be forgiven for enjoying references to him as America's "greatest former President" and headlines hailing him as "Jimmy the Peacemaker". Even before the Haitian deal, Mr Carter had been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize and must now be consid-

CARTER

ered a strong favourite for the award, to be announced next month.

Even the right wing, who loathed the Democrat when he was in office, acknowledged his role in rescuing Mr Clinton from an unpopular invasion.

Mr Carter's offer to mediate in Haiti, where he knew all the participants, was rebuffed by the President but he changed his mind last Thursday and asked his predecessor to lead a trio of envoys for final talks. Mr Carter's latest triumph could revive the argument for making him Secretary of State in place of the bland Warren Christopher.

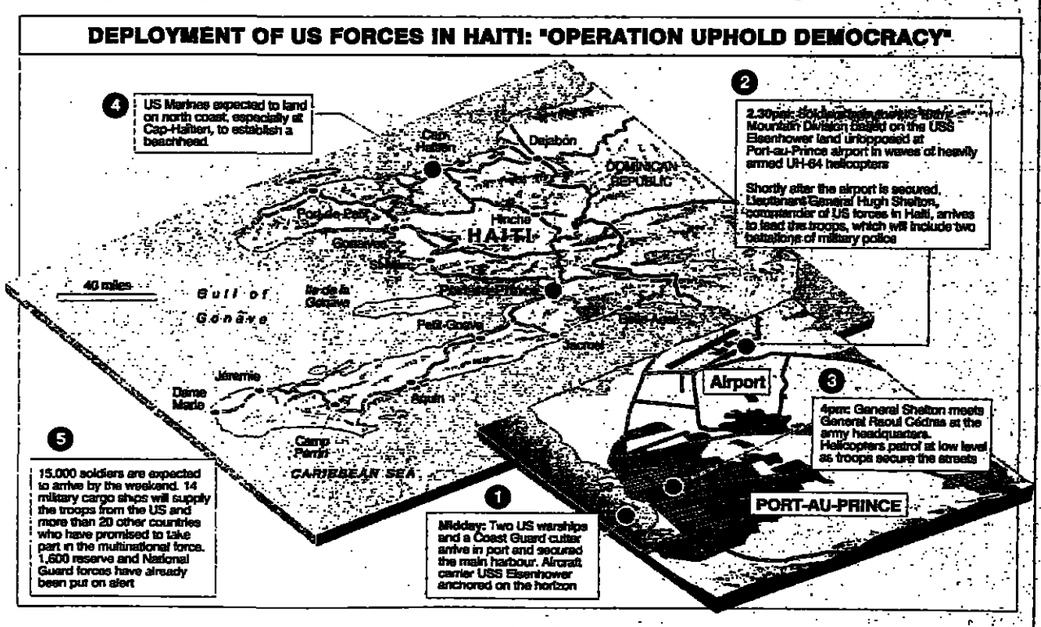
The former President took several months to recover from his trouncing by Ronald Reagan in the 1980 election. His failure to win the release of American hostages in the US Embassy in Tehran had contributed heavily to his reputation of being ineffectual. During his weeks of reflection, Mr Carter realised that the high point of his presidency had been the Middle East peace accord between Menachem Begin, Prime Minister of Israel, and President Sadat of Egypt.

He set up the Carter Centre, a non-profit organisation in Atlanta, which concentrates on monitoring disputes, promoting democracy, conquering disease and regenerating inner cities. Mr Carter's mediating skills have taken him to Ethiopia, Sudan and Liberia.





Yannick Cédras, the Haitian leader's wife, watching an anti-Aristide protest in the capital



Troops braced for resistance

FROM TOM RHODES IN PORT-AU-PRINCE

AMERICAN troops can expect few security risks during the first days and even weeks of Operation Uphold Democracy, but might face difficulties later in what military planners hope will be a peaceful occupation.

It became clear yesterday that the Haitian army, police and paramilitaries would offer no resistance. Part of the agreement centred on co-operation between the Haitian armed forces and the incoming troops.

What remained uncertain was how the Americans would persuade certain militiamen to give up the weapons that have given them power and status over the past three years.

A leaflet drop by American aircraft on Saturday urged soldiers and members of Haitian paramilitary groups — the Attachés, Fraph, the armed political party and the Patriotic Group for the Republic — to lay down their arms in the event of any outside military intervention.

The American troops have been warned, however, to expect resistance from certain more radical elements which may melt into the background equipped with personal arsenals that could be used to good effect later against the American army.

OCCUPATION

For Washington, the most relevant precedent appears to be the popular uprising in 1986 that unseated the dictatorship of Jean-Claude Duvalier. The infamous militia, the Tonfons Macoute, which had ruled with murderous oppression throughout the reigns of Baby Doc and his father Pap Doc Duvalier did not retaliate against the people as had been expected. Haiti's turbulent political culture has left the country with a strong tradition of *maronage*, or hiding, and many of those now deemed enemies of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the returning democratically elected President, are said to have fled to the countryside. Whether they will return to offer resistance is unknown.

One Haitian political observer said yesterday the American armed services force of 15,000 might encounter sniping later, but that the soldiers were more likely to find themselves defending the people they have come to displace. "It is conceivable that they will have to protect both [Lieutenant General Raoul] Cédras from reprisals and Aristide from those who are certain to try to kill him," he said.

In Haiti, however, where misinformation and threats are commonplace, it is even likely that the greatest danger to any outside force will be occupation fatigue combined with an awareness that, in the weeks ahead, the American servicemen might well come to be perceived as a force of oppression.

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Saudis seek help from Britain over privatisation plans

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER IN ABU DHABI

SAUDI Arabia yesterday asked for Britain's help in privatising parts of its economy and gave assurances that British companies would remain key suppliers of its defence needs.

A team of Treasury and private-sector experts are to be sent to Jedda and Riyadh soon to advise the Saudis on tentative plans to privatise parts of their telecommunications, electricity and other public utilities, the national airline, healthcare and how to tap private finance for road-building projects.

The Saudi government is considering selling parts of the public sector to replenish currency reserves, severely depleted by the cost of the Gulf War in 1991. The government has been running a budget deficit for about 12 years because of declining prices for its oil exports and rising spending, particularly on defence. The programme could generate huge consultancy and stock-market flotation fees for British businesses.

John Major pressed the case for several British projects during his talks early yesterday with King Fahd. Anthony Nelson, the economic secretary to the Treasury, and the minister responsible for privatisation, continued the efforts yesterday.

During the 16-hour visit, progress was understood to have been made on deals to sell Westland's Merlin anti-submarine warfare helicopters to the Saudi defence forces, Rolls-Royce engines to the Saudia national flag carrier and airline maintenance services, *Avro International* Aerospace jets for the Saudi royal flight, and for the Davy McKee Stockton engineering company to build a huge steel plant for the Saudi Iron and Steel Co (Hadeed).

Mr Major said yesterday that his talks with King Fahd "could scarcely have gone better". British officials said the atmosphere at the talks had been warm.

The Prime Minister said: "I am absolutely delighted we have strengthened a relationship that was strong before, which has lasted a long time and will endure." Mr Major and King Fahd also discussed political developments in the Middle East, covering countries such as Iran, Iraq and Yemen.

Howard Davies, the director-general of the Confederation of British Industry, who is leading a team of businessmen on Mr Major's trip to the Gulf and South Africa, said that the Saudi visit "has exceeded our expectations. The mood music was extremely positive. We were not at the stage of putting signatures on cheques but the Prime Minister raised specific contract proposals and the King did not say no to any of them."

Mr Major and the business delegation later flew to Abu Dhabi where the Prime Minister had talks last night with Shaikh Zayed, the President of the United Arab Emirates. Today, Mr Major's party was due in Cape Town where the business mission will continue, while Mr Major will try to boost sporting and scientific links with the newly democratic South Africa.

Mr Davies said last night that the objective in South Africa would be to look for new export markets in tourism, pharmaceuticals and water projects, and to build on Britain's existing investment, currently standing at £10 billion.

Hurd insists Gatt accord must hold

FROM DAVID WATTS IN TOKYO

DOUGLAS Hurd last night warned America and Japan not to undermine the recently concluded General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade deal by negotiating direct bilateral agreements in individual market sectors.

The Foreign Secretary said that nobody should believe, because a Gatt agreement had been reached, that that was the end of the story for free trade. He said that, generally, the argument for managed trade — already in place between Japan and America for car parts — had been resisted in Europe, which had a genuinely open market. But the debate between the European Union, America and Japan was still far from over.

Mr Hurd was speaking against a background of continuing disappointment with the sales of Scotch whisky in Japan. In the mid-1980s Britain waged a vigorous campaign for a reduction of the tax on whisky so that it could better compete with local spirits. The latest whisky sales figures, however, show an increase of only 0.5 per cent over the past seven years.

Addressing the National Press Club, the Foreign Secretary said: "We need from the new World Trade Organisation (WTO) good rules, well applied and well enforced ... We also need a commitment from all members to play by the rules ...

"The route to managed trade is, sadly, easy to follow ... We need to convince protectionists that a fair and open market really exists. Our trade policy must be transparent," he said.



Dr George Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, yesterday addressing a congregation of 300 at Peking's Chong Wen Men Church, which is housed in a wooden hall. His interpreter, a woman priest, is the Rev Gao Ying. Dr Carey made only a passing reference to the difficulties still faced by religious believers in China (Reuter reports from Peking). "Chinese Christians have been quite remarkable in the way you have adapted through times of great change." Dr Carey said, adding: "Sometimes that change has been violent and repressive."

Boat people stave off forced repatriation

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

VIETNAMESE boat people refusing forced repatriation from a Hong Kong detention camp withstood an assault yesterday by prison officers using tear gas, forcing the operation to be abandoned for the night. The government said in a statement that attempts to remove them would resume today.

What had been planned in the morning as an orderly operation to begin the transfer of 80 boat people from the 20,000 or more who have been deemed not to be bona fide political refugees turned into chaos in the afternoon when 20 of them refused to be moved, saying they would rather die than return to Vietnam. They were supported by 1,000 chanting fellow inmates. Ten Vietnamese climbed on to a roof and two were seen being carried from the camp on stretchers.

Refugee Concern, a charity that works in the camps, condemned the degree of force used yesterday as totally unnecessary. However, use of tear gas had been moderate.

In April, at the same camp, more than 200 refugees were treated in hospital after beatings and 550 rounds of tear gas were used against them. An inquiry concluded that force, while necessary, had been heavy-handed.

UN troops 'selling' vehicles to Somalis

FROM SAM KILEY IN MOGADISHU

THE United Nations operation in Somalia has come under close scrutiny from its New York headquarters after disclosure of irregularities in its procurement section where Egyptian troops have helped Somalis to steal UN vehicles and ammunition.

The Egyptian contingent, the third-largest in Somalia, has been replaced by Zimbabwean soldiers at the port. But UN sources said they were still involved in deals at the airport where they are on guard duty.

In the teeming Bakara market in the centre of the city, a new minibus stolen from the UN now sells for about £2,500. Sources here said the Egyptians had also been selling ammunition to Somali warlords. But Major Richard McDonald, the UN's military spokesman in Somalia, said that the Egyptians had been cleared over allegations that they were selling weapons.

Several members of the UN procurement section here have been fired for failing to prevent the theft of $3.9 million (£2.5 million) in cash from their offices at the heavily guarded compound.

Kofi Annan, the head of UN peacekeeping, left here yesterday after a three-day visit which, sources said, had been a "shocking revelation."

US starts new peace mission in Syria

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

AMERICA today begins a new effort to make peace between Syria and Israel amid disclosures that the two sides have been having secret contacts and turmoil in Israel provoked by a belief that a deal to hand back the Golan Heights is near.

Dennis Ross and Martin Indyk, US State Deparment officials, will start their mission in Damascus where the autocratic regime of President Assad has taken the rare step of allowing the appearance of political slogans welcoming the peace process.

Warren Christopher, the Secretary of State, will be taking up the mediation task again next month. Israeli and Arab officials hope that after the Haiti crisis America will be free to devote itself to resolving the Jerusalem-Damascus deadlock.

Binyamin Ben-Eliezar, Israel's Housing Minister, was said yesterday to have confirmed reports that Israel and Syria have been in secret contact in a similar fashion to the talks in Norway that led to the last year's peace between Isreal and the Palestine Liberation Organisation. According to Israel Radio, the minister confirmed that there were secret contacts with Syria, "not at the ministerial level, but at the same echelons that led, in his words, to the dizzying success in other peace agreements". The state-controlled radio did not elaborate on its report and the minister was not available for comment.

Moves towards an Israeli-Syrian deal have been gathering pace in recent weeks, leading to speculation that exchanges were taking place. Tension in Israel over the peace moves increased yesterday with the publication of a report in the Tel Aviv paper *Maariv* — denied by the military — that an army unit had been set up and was training for the eventual removal of settlers from the occupied Golan Heights, West Bank and Gaza Strip.



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In mourning with Papa Doc

Ian Thomson meets the last British Ambassador to Haiti, who left in 1962

Anglo-Haitian diplomatic relations have long been unhappy. For more than 30 years there has been no British ambassador in Port-au-Prince: the last was ordered to leave at 24 hours' notice in 1962. Gerard Corley Smith had protested against the gangsterism of the Tontons Macoute, President Duvalier's bogeymen and secret police. "Needless to say Papa Doc never supplied me with an airline ticket," the former ambassador, now 85, says. "There was quite a rapid turnover of diplomats."

I first came across Mr Corley Smith in a bizarre pamphlet published by Papa Doc in 1968: "Graham Greene — Finally Exposed". Distributed to journalists through Haitian embassies in Europe, it sought to discredit Greene because of his anti-Duvalier novel *The Comedians*. While Greene is a "negrophobic benzedrin addict" and "habitué of leper houses", Mr Corley Smith is exposed to a milder drubbing. "The Haitian government has made it known to this famous ambassador that . . . he should guard against trespassing the limits of good education. His impertinence and haughtiness as a British colonialist would not be tolerated."

"The Tontons Macoute," Mr Corley Smith said, "were exacting illegal funds to build Duvalierville!" This was to be the architectural equivalent of Brasilia. Any reluctance to help to finance its construction resulted in the ransacking of premises or in torture during the hours of darkness. Duvalierville is now a ghost town, a home to stray dogs and beggars. According to Greene, it was "impossible to deepen the night" of Papa Doc's reign of terror. It lasted for 14 long years until 1971. His witless son, Jean-Claude Duvalier, misruled for a further 15 years. The collapse of Baby Doc's regime in 1986 was followed by a familiar round of *coups d'état*, rigged elections, martial law. The country is now so rotten that occupation is perhaps the only solution. The junta headed by General Raoul Cédras has already lost control of its own violence.

"Cedras represents a continuation of the Duvalier dynasty," says Mr Corley Smith. "But we shouldn't confuse General Cédras with ordinary Haitians whom I liked very much." He remembers their friendly "Bonjour Blanc!" (a Creole expression meaning "Hello, stranger!") as he went bird-watching in the hills.

Mr Corley Smith was educated at Bolton, near Manchester, and at Cambridge. After several years with the General Consular Service, in 1952 he was appointed press counsellor at the British Embassy in Paris. Following his hapless two-year posting to Haiti, he was made British Ambassador to Ecuador in 1962.

Since that date, British interest in Haiti has been represented by the odd vice-consul. "To my knowledge, Papa Doc was the only Fascist dictator at any time in Latin America," Mr Corley Smith says. "The Tontons Macoute fulfilled the role of Hitler's Brown Shirts; and the Palace Guard that of the SS."

Known today as "attachés", the Tontons Macoute display a dog-like devotion to General Cédras and efficient hatchet work. More than 3,000 people have been murdered since Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the democratically elected President, was toppled by the military three years ago. Tontons Macoute means "Uncle Knapsack" in Creole patois. This mythological figure appears in Haitian nursery stories as a voodoo spook who kidnaps children in a big straw bag.

What was he like to meet, François Duvalier? "Oh, the few conversations I had with Papa Doc are of little interest to anyone. There was never very much business to be done in Haiti. But I will say this: he spoke in a funny sort of whisper, and liked everyone to dress in mourning. When you presented your credentials as an ambassador, you were often required to wear a black suit, black socks and, if I remember, a black top hat. Most odd.

"I find it difficult to conceive of *any* solution to Haiti's problems," Mr Corley Smith says. "The country has been independent for two centuries now. And it has never had a good ruler."

● *Ian Thomson is the author of* Bonjour Blanc: A Journey Through Haiti *(Penguin).*



Casual encounter: Corley Smith, left, with Papa Doc

Roy Spence: a world-renowned surgeon in the front line against terrorism

The scalpel against the gun

ELLIS'S IRELAND

Beginning a series on the legacy of the Troubles by **Walter Ellis**

In the last 25 years of Ulster's Troubles, the many dark deeds that have been committed on both extremes of the political divide have been illuminated and relieved by acts of personal courage and integrity.

While the terrorists have done their worst, others have done their best, none more so than in the blood-strewn sector of trauma surgery. Northern Ireland now has some of the finest trauma surgeons in the world, superbly skilled in dealing with the victims of bomb blasts, shootings and violent assault.

For those involved, it has been both harrowing and rewarding. Roy Spence, whose reputation extends as far as America, Japan, Canada and South Africa, remembers how, when the first victims of IRA knee-cappings were brought in for treatment to Belfast's City Hospital in the 1970s, it was front page news.

More than two decades on, "punishment" shootings on both sides of the terrorist divide have become routine and are normally left to junior surgeons to sort out. Only in the 10 per cent or so of cases in which the victim's kneebone has been shattered or, worse, major arteries have been severed are the skill and experience of a top practitioner required. Then, the operation can go on throughout the night. Wounds can be filthy, with a mixture of bone, blood, clothing and cordite having to be cleaned out meticulously before the suture can be completed.

What offends Mr Spence most is not so much the fact of the shooting, cruel though it is, but the style in which it is conducted, which has become a grotesque parody of *his* own calling.

"It could be a car thief or a joyrider, or even one of their own who has done something that has offended the leadership. They meet and decide what treatment he is to get and then call round to the house to fix an appointment. The victim will be given a time and a place and will be asked to report promptly to be shot. Either that or they can do it at his home.

"Those who are to be kneecapped know there is no way out of it. You can run, but they'll find you eventually, and then it'll be a bullet in the head. So what do they do? They drink heavily — a bottle of whiskey or vodka — and then they report to the appointed place. They may even have to wait their turn. Then they're brought in and a handgun is placed at the back of their knee and they're shot. Afterwards, if they're lucky, a black cab will have been ordered to bring them round to see me or my colleagues, and then it is up to us to repair the damage."

With the "complete cessation of military operations" by the IRA, republican "punishments" this month have undergone a subtle shift. Guns — obvious symbols of the armed struggle — have been replaced with baseball bats and bricks. Loyalist groups, for the moment, continue to use the traditional method, but should they, too, agree to a ceasefire, blunt instruments are expected to become the principal means of terrorist enforcement on the Shankill as well as the Falls.

For Mr Spence, and other surgeons throughout Ulster, this is familiar territory. He remembers how the Provisionals, when administering internal discipline within the movement, would sometimes spreadeagle their victims on the ground, then drop breeze blocks on their limbs. "Usually, the result was severe bruising, rather than broken bones, but the point was that the volunteers could be back in action in a *month* or two."

Different acts of terror present different challenges. After a bookmaker's shop in a predominantly Catholic part of south Belfast had been shot up by loyalists in 1992, resulting in five deaths and scores of wounded, Mr Spence, as senior surgeon, was called on to make life and death decisions amid anxious relatives and the groans of victims still bleeding on the floor.

He and his team of surgeons operated throughout the night, and all 17 of those who had been selected for emergency treatment, including many with multiple injuries to the head, abdomen and limbs, lived to tell the tale.

"One young lad who had been shot in the stomach told me how one of the terrorists had walked up and down after the first assault, with the heels of his shoes clicking on the floor, looking for people who were still alive and then, coldly and calculatedly, putting a bullet in their head. His brother-in-law's body had fallen on top of him, and as the gunman walked past him he played dead lying beneath."

Bombs pose their own problems. "With bombs, it is not all about the blast. If you are too close, there's no hope for you. You're simply blown away. But if you're further off, metal casings and nails can still cause massive destruction to body tissue. In the case of a car bomb, bits of a vehicle can come whistling through the air at 1,000mph — and then there's the fireball, leading to heat damage and smoke inhalation.

"That's what surgeons, and nurses, in Northern Ireland have had to deal with every week for the last 25 years — and then we see Gerry Adams hailed in the US as the saviour of his people."

Mr Spence's commitment to the Northern Ireland he plainly loves has been tested many times over the years, but never more so than on the Saturday afternoon in March, 1988 when coverage on television of an Irish international rugby match was interrupted by news of the murder of two off-duty corporals by an IRA funeral crowd in West Belfast.

"I remember the mob rule and the hate and the yahoo with a wheelbrace on top of the soldiers' car striking out at them. That hit me harder than many other things. It was animal behaviour, and I nearly left for good to work in the States.

"But in the end I believe in this place. It could be a wonderful country. Most of the people are decent. If I'm away from home and the pipes burst, neighbours will be round in minutes. If I'm dealing with the wounded at a bomb blast, they don't whine or yap at me. They know I'm doing what I can."

I ask him what he thinks of the prospects for peace. He pauses. "We've seen it all before. Ceasefires and the like. What I want to know is, what have they done with their arms and explosives? All we're doing at the moment is stumbling towards peace. I just hope it lasts."

TOMORROW: The teacher

MICHAEL POWELL



The IRA funeral mob killings nearly drove Roy Spence to America — "but in the end I believe in this place"

Kiss and cash in quick

The "dirt-for-dollar" reasons why Annie Murphy told on the bishop

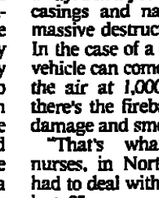
THE STORY of the bishop and the telephonist is not yet over as far as Annie Murphy is concerned. You may remember Ms Murphy, a glamorous American divorcée who scandalised Ireland by revealing her affair and the child she had with Dr Eamonn Casey, the Bishop of Galway.

Two years ago, she portrayed herself as a wronged woman, gained the sympathy of many, and claimed she only exposed the affair after Dr Casey refused to acknowledge his teenage son. Certainly, Ms Murphy had demanded money early on from the bishop for her silence, but this was in the form of monthly child-support payments, and assumed to be a question of necessity rather than greed.

Then a short item appeared this month in the court circular column of a local newspaper in New York, which showed the one-time telephonist had long had the intention of wringing every penny from the subject of illicit Catholic love. It turns out that Ms Murphy, along with her lawyer and another executive, set up a limited company in 1992 to profit from the publicity surrounding her affair. The curiously named Forthright Enterprises Ltd and Forthright Ltd were created "to manage the exploitation of Mrs Murphy's story" according to her lawyer Peter McKay. Now, dissatisfied with the profits brought in by Forthright, Ms Murphy is suing her partners in the New York courts for breach of contract and negligence.

Even in America, a country acclimatised to Tonya Harding, John Wayne Bobbitt and O.J. Simpson's witnesses selling their sordid testimony to the tabloids often long before any trial, the existence of a long-running, professional "dirt-for-dollars" company came as a shock. "One rarely hears of a business formed strictly to promulgate — and profit from — gossip," sniffed the New York *Observer*.

Ms Murphy, now 47, first employed Mr McKay in 1990, when he successfully negotiated a one-off child support payment of $100,000 from the bishop, probably intended for



KATE MUIR

college fees. In exchange, Ms Murphy kept her silence about their son Peter, currently a 19-year-old university student. Two years later, Ms Murphy told Mr McKay that she intended to expose her 18-month affair in the early 1970s with Dr Casey after all, and the bishop resigned.

The lawyer agreed to deal with public and press relations for her, set up press conferences, and arranged an appearance on the popular American chat show, *Donahue*. He advised Ms Murphy on her behaviour during such television appearances, "ensuring she would not squander her opportunity for a book deal", and work began on the selling of film rights to the carnal transgression.

In interviews at the time Ms Murphy said of her motives: "All I wanted was for the story to be known . . . how sad it was, how the Catholic Church in its archaic views, could deny Dr Casey the right to his son." But according to papers filed in court by Mr McKay, Ms Murphy wanted a great deal more than that. Along with a limousine company executive, Alfred Hemlock, they formed Forthright, which in exchange for a percentage of the profits, was to pay Ms Murphy an advance of $500 a week for up to six months. Forthright also paid for her trip to Ireland to promote the story, air fares for the co-author of her book, it hired hotels for press conferences and provided a series of limousines.

SOON MS MURPHY was given an $850,000 advance from the American publishers Warner Books and Little, Brown for her book on the affair, *Forbidden Fruit: The True Story of my Secret Love for the Bishop of Galway*. As it went to number one on Dublin's best-seller list in 1993, it was promoted as not merely a "kiss 'n' tell" book, but as a wider debate on celibacy. It included lines such as: "His blind, twitching hands raced again all over the braille of my body." Serial rights were sold for thousands.

Clearly, Ms Murphy is not satisfied with her cut from the aforementioned deals, and the courts are still sorting out the maze. While Ms Murphy is deep in somewhat squalid litigation, the 67-year-old former bishop has become a missionary in Ecuador. He maintains contact with his son and hopes "to develop a good relationship out of the eyes of the media".

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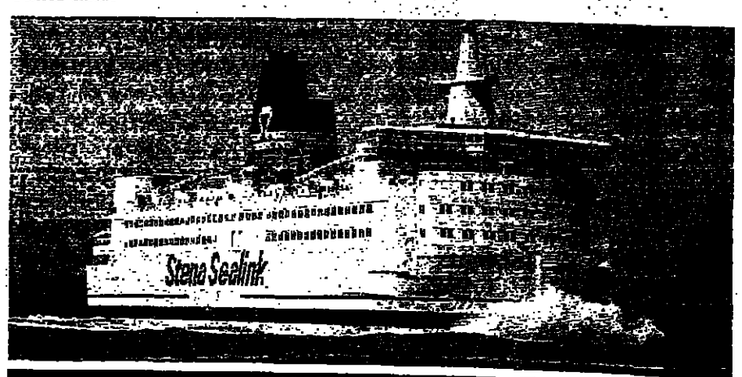
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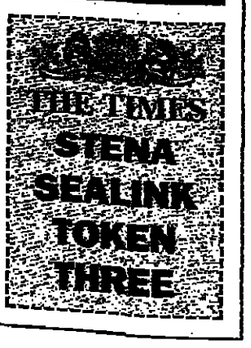
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A wartime unit developed into a leading centre of ergonomics and psychology research, says **Ian Robertson**

Secrets of the human brain

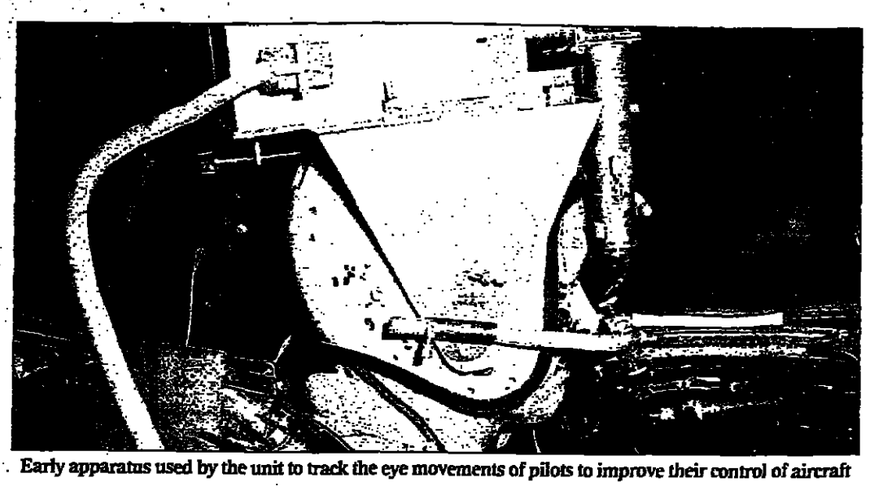
It is winter 1940. Behind the blacked-out windows of the Eagle pub in Cambridge, young fighter pilots drink, smoke and sing away their fears. One climbs unsteadily on a table to inscribe the name of his squadron in candle soot on the ceiling. Another follows. For the rest of the war, airmen wrote on that ceiling, which is still preserved behind its half-century glaze of nicotine.

It is likely that Kenneth Craik, a Scottish psychologist just completing his PhD at Cambridge under Sir Frederic Bartlett, had the odd drink in the Eagle and saw these pilots. Craik had in 1939 at the age of 25 become the War Cabinet's key adviser on the problems of human control of the complex machinery of war — including the Spitfires and Hurricanes that pilots in the Eagle flew. In this capacity, he not only contributed significantly to reducing loss of life among British forces, but he also laid the foundations for postwar cognitive psychology in Britain and throughout the world.

One of Craik's inventions was a test of skill which was found to be an excellent predictor of success in fighter pilot training; so much so that it is still in use today. Given that it costs more than £2 million to train a fighter pilot, who then goes on to fly a machine costing more than ten times that amount, it has been argued that Craik's invention has already paid for the entire running costs to date of the research centre of which he became founder-director in 1944 — the Medical Research Council's Applied Psychology Unit (APU) at Cambridge — whose fiftieth anniversary falls this year.

From this war effort, the unit has developed into one of the foremost international research centres in cognitive psychology and ergonomics, and latterly also in clinical and neuropsychology. It has had a large influence on many facets of British life, ranging from the implementation of the postcode system to the operation of security videos, and from the colour of postage stamps to decimalisation. After the Cheltenham spy scandal, when America's security agencies put intense pressure on the British Government to introduce lie detectors for its staff, the Cabinet Office commissioned a report from the unit, a document Margaret Thatcher cited as part of her justification for resisting American demands.

Underlying all these very practical endeavours was the information-processing approach to human psychology pioneered by Craik and established by Donald Broadbent, the unit's third director, both of whom were engineers and psychologists. They put forward the metaphor of mind-as-computer, as a means of guiding research on how human beings attend to, perceive, remember and respond to the world around them.



Early apparatus used by the unit to track the eye movements of pilots to improve their control of aircraft

In the war years, this approach yielded clear answers to questions such as how much information pilots could take in from their cockpit control panels, how fatigue contributed to error, and how the operators of the newly developed radar could stay vigilant to detect enemy aircraft on their radar screens. This approach continues today; for instance, North Sea helicopters have recently been equipped with auditory signals developed from a theory of pitch-perception developed at the unit. The system ensures that pilots are alerted in an emergency without being so taken aback that they make some potentially fatal error.

Medical and health issues are now increasingly the focus of APU research, and in particular in the field of neuropsychology that is concerned with how mental functions such as memory, attention and perception relate to the underlying physical structures in the brain. The unit's present director, Professor Alan Baddeley, for instance, set out a theory of human memory based purely on psychological experiments, which is now being shown to have close parallels with actual brain structures revealed by the latest brain-scanning techniques. These techniques examine blood flow in the brain during different mental activities. The places in the brain where these operations are based can be pinpointed from the bloodflow pattern.

One particular type of memory is a brief store of the type needed to hold a phone number in mind between looking it up and dialling the number. The existence of this store was deduced purely on the basis of psychological experiment, but in the past few years, its location has been recognised in the left half of the brain. It is now known that children whose brief memory store is limited have difficulty learning vocabulary and reading because long words that they hear "spill out" of their too-small memory store.

People who suffer from damage to their brains as a result of accidents, strokes or disease can develop very specific problems of the type shown by these children with reading difficulties. Though severely disabled in everyday life, their intelligence is often unaffected, and simple remedies can produce real improvements. Such remedies, however, rest on careful analysis of the way in which cognitive functions have broken down.

One example of this is in a condition known as "unilateral neglect", a strange and disabling condition that causes people to lose an awareness of the left side of space. Such people read only the right side of the page of a book and eat food only on the right side of their plates. These problems are due not to a loss of "vision" but to a problem of perception and attention, and cause great problem to hospital staff and families.

APU research has found that by having patients make even small movements with the partially paralysed side of the body, big improvements can be found in their condition. This may be because the movements cause activation of dormant systems in the damaged half of the brain.

At a cost to the UK economy of between £2 billion and £3 billion a year, depression is a source of public as well as personal suffering. APU researchers have discovered that this disorder is partly caused by ways of thinking that depressed people have picked up as children. These thinking habits predispose them to react badly to loss or criticism, often resulting in depression as adults. New psychological treatments for changing these thinking habits have been very successful in reducing depression, and are now being tested in combination with drug treatments.

The unit is unique not only in the breadth of applications of its research, but also in the flexibility with which it can apply cognitive psychology to the key human problems of the day.

Sitting tall in the saddle

Dr Thomas Stuttaford on how horses bring strength to children

Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick Mesquita, a retired cavalry officer who now runs the medical charity the Remedi, Rehabilitation and Medical Research Trust, recently met Joan Would, a keen horsewoman and a district physiotherapist in Lincolnshire, to discuss the progress she had made in designing a saddle for the disabled.

At a meeting of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy in Birmingham later this week, Mrs Would will describe her research to produce a saddle which would encourage handicapped people to adopt the classical position when riding. Remedi is funding this project.

Mrs Would brought 10-year-old Katie Cottingham to her meeting with Lt-Col Mesquita and together with Glenn, an amazingly quiet Irish cob, they demonstrated the value of hippotherapy, physiotherapy on a horse, and the use of the specially designed saddle. The saddle is built not only to provide support where it is needed, but also to ease the burden which a disabled rider — who can be nearly a deadweight — can place on the horse.

Katie was only 3lb at birth. The oxygen starvation she suffered then has left her with a severe generalised muscle weakness which means she is still too weak to walk unaided or sit up straight. Although Katie is 10, she sits on the floor with the rounded back of a six or seven-month-old baby and, like a young baby, topples over if pushed.

Fortunately, Katie is very bright (her IQ should ensure a university place later), and both her mother and her physiotherapist agree that she is without behavioural problems or apparent psychological hang-ups.

Katie's physique and general enjoyment of life over the past year has been enormously improved by attending Mrs Would's classes. Once mounted on Glenn, the jolly but rather crumpled figure of a patient in a wheelchair becomes a spirited young horsewoman.

When Katie is in a specially designed saddle she is at first sight quite indistinguishable from any other pony club girl, for the support the saddle gives is as discreet as it is effective.

The saddle Mrs Would uses ensures that Katie's pelvis remains level, whereas when disabled riders use a general purpose saddle they tend to tilt their pelvis backwards, so that they sit back on the cantle of the saddle. Disabled riders further increase their stability by hunching their upper back forward over the horse's withers and simultaneously pushing their feet forwards into the stirrups. Although this position gives stability it inhibits muscle exercises, does not improve balance, and does not lend itself to physiotherapy.

The classical position, such as Lt-Col Mesquita would have learnt in the Tenth Hussars or when with the French cavalry school, involves a level pelvis and above it head, chest and hips vertically aligned. The position may be less stable but it encourages balance and as the rider becomes more experienced so the muscles needed to develop the posture become stronger.





Katie Cottingham, disabled at birth, crouched like a baby near her wheelchair, and, right, sitting upright on Glenn, the Irish cob, in the specially designed saddle

Head and general co-ordination improves and Katie is now able to maintain the position even as the ever-patient Glenn turns, circles and varies pace. As her physical strength improves so does Katie's sense of achievement.

Lt Col Mesquita, whose professional military life has included spells commanding horses as well as tanks, has seen children who have revelled in Riding for the Disabled even when they have been so weak that they have had to be slung over the pony.

Hippotherapy is different, but neither more nor less important in its objectives than is Riding for the Disabled.

Riding for the Disabled has become well established and provides huge enjoyment for hundreds, perhaps thousands, of disabled adults and children and gives them confidence while they enjoy themselves.

With hippotherapy, the riders are not only choosing to ride for pleasure but also because the exercises they will perform have been designed to improve balance, co-ordination and strength.

In hippotherapy the horse and the specialised saddle are as much part of an exercise apparatus as are all the lifeless stainless steel contraptions in a physiotherapist's clinic. The only difference is that they are more fun to use.

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TOMORROW

Fashion: Iain R. Webb reports on the new optimism in fashion retailing

The keeping of wisdom

SURGEONS and dentists should stop wasting NHS money removing wisdom teeth that are healthy but have simply not come through, say two oral surgeons.

The number of wisdom teeth being removed by dentists has increased by a third since 1988 without any evidence that it prevents later infection. Yet pain, swelling and lockjaw after surgery are "almost universal".

"The wholesale removal of unerupted teeth seems as inappropriate as the wholesale removal of tonsils and adenoids," say Professor Jonathan Shepherd and Mark Brickley of the University of Wales College of Medicine.

At least 150,000 people have their wisdom teeth removed each year and account for 90 per cent of waiting lists in oral and maxillofacial surgery, which are among the longest in any speciality. The cost to the NHS is £20 million with a similar amount being spent in the private sector.

Writing in the *British Medical Journal*, the authors say there is no evidence that unerupted wisdom teeth cause facial pain, a common complaint among young adults. There is enormous potential for mistaken diagnoses and unnecessary surgery, they say.

X-ray surveys show that one in five people in their thirties have at least one unerupted wisdom tooth which can remain in situ without causing problems throughout life.

The authors say the risks of surgery "should not be underestimated". Up to 15 per cent of patients suffer numbness of the tongue and lower lip after the operation which is permanent in 0.5 per cent of cases.

The same edition of the *BMJ* says that fears about the side-effects of amalgam fillings are overdone. Allegations in a recent *Panorama* programme suggested that mercury in the fillings could be a cause of the rise in Alzheimer's disease but a leading article says that this "flies in the face of the available, carefully reviewed, evidence".

The article says that groups campaigning to ban the use of dental amalgam do not consider the costs or side-effects of alternative materials. Patients wishing to avoid amalgam fillings have three choices: composite, porcelain or gold.

Composite, or white, fillings were introduced in 1970 for front teeth and later back teeth. They are made of resin containing particles of glass or quartz. They provide a better cosmetic effect, but they are less hard-wearing and more difficult to fit.

"It is much harder to do a good composite filling than a good amalgam filling," Peter Gordon, scientific adviser to the British Dental Association, says. "A mediocre amalgam filling will last many years longer than a mediocre composite filling."

Porcelain fillings involve a two-stage process. In the first, a model of the tooth is made and the filling made in the laboratory. A second appointment is required for the fitting. The porcelain inlay has to be carefully adjusted or it will wear away the opposing tooth.

The third option is gold. Most crowns are made of gold or a gold alloy covered with porcelain. However, gold is not popular for ordinary fillings because patients do not like their teeth to flash every time they smile.

Cost is also a factor. Composite fillings are about three times the cost of amalgam, porcelain up to ten times as expensive and gold 12 times, according to Mr Gordon.

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Magnus Linklater on the moderate new face of the SNP

Scotland is in English hands

George Robertson, Labour MP for Hamilton and shadow Secretary of State for Scotland, was not mincing his words when he spoke earlier this month at a conference in Frankfurt. "Nationalism", he said, "is possibly the worst danger to stability in the world today and in its many different manifestations it is among the most malign forces challenging international order..." He said that nationalism was to blame for the spilling of blood in Northern Ireland, in Spain and in Italy, and that unless it is stemmed it will create mayhem even closer to home. He was referring to the Scottish National Party.

As it happens, the SNP had just published the agenda for its 60th party conference, which opens in Inverness tomorrow. Perhaps Mr Robertson had not had time to read it. It highlights some of the key resolutions to be debated in Inverness, including a call for school buses to have seatbelts fitted, measures to reduce air and sea pollution, a debate about the future shape of Europe, opposition to nuclear hulks at Rosyth, rejection of UK economic policies, and measures to end duty discrimination against whisky.

This is hardly the stuff of bloody revolution, but perhaps it is more revealing of Scottish Nationalism today than Mr Robertson's hint of ethnic cleansing. At 60, the SNP, which was once associated with a dangerous brand of radical fervour, has come of age. Despite Mr Robertson's warnings, we are apparently in the era of nanny-state nationalism. SNP members out to prove themselves a pragmatic party of the social democratic order, able to deliver sound economic policies in the run-up to their ultimate goal of independence in Europe.

The party is not doing badly, albeit this is the middle of an unpopular Government's term of office. This year the SNP has gained control of two regional councils, won a second seat in the European Parliament, and won a third of the Scottish vote. It is now in a strong second place to Labour in Scotland. All of which may account for Mr Robertson's apparent paranoia. He talks of the SNP threatening to "wrench one nation" out of the United Kingdom. It would be truer to say that it is trying to lull it out.

There is, however, good reason for looking hard at the nationalist movement now. More than ever before, the Scottish electorate seems willing to contemplate independence. October 1974, when the SNP sent 11 MPs to Westminster, appeared to be a breakthrough, but while the party achieved support of around 30 per cent in the 1970s, independence itself rarely attracted more than 20 per cent backing. Today this figure stands at between 35 and 40 per cent.

A June poll found that 48 per cent of Scots believe that an independent Scotland would get a better deal out of Europe, and only 15 per cent think it would be worse off. Yet this is a curious phenomenon because it is not accompanied by any manifestation of nationalist fervour. The various protest groups that were formed in the disillusioned aftermath of the general election have gone to ground; candidates on the stump in this year's elections reported no surge of interest. Neither the Irish ceasefire nor the election in Quebec has caught the public imagination in Scotland.

Yet support for nationalism grows steadily. Alex Salmond, the SNP leader, believes that his party's policy on Europe appeals especially. Independence for Scotland inside Europe has a comforting ring that stanches the fear of isolation; it offers Scotland greater economic strength than it has within the United Kingdom, he says, and he has been round the boardrooms to argue his case. Unusually for a radical party, the emphasis is on down-to-earth policies and phrases: consensus, credibility, economic competence.

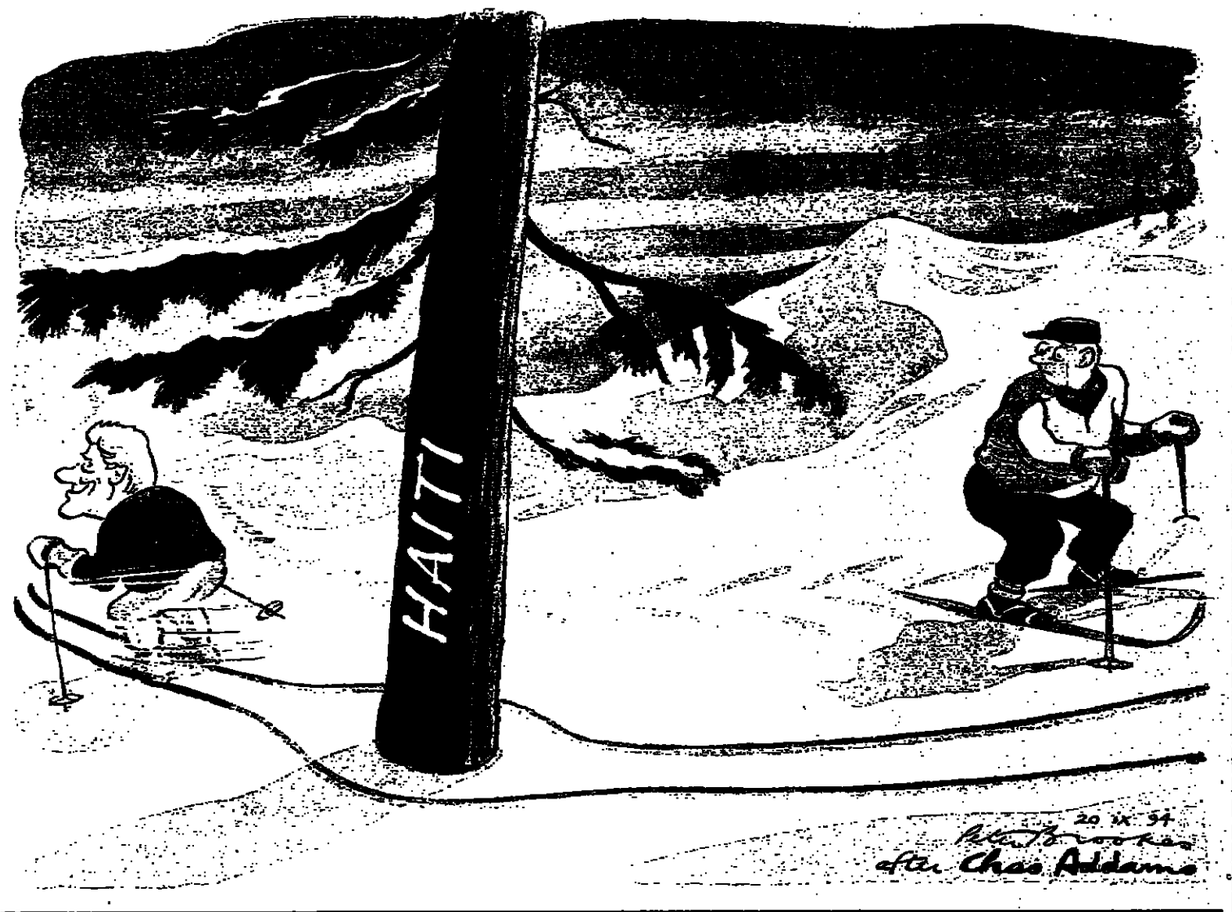
Perhaps more important is a mounting disillusion among Scots with the idea of the unitary British state. There are fewer reasons these days for Scots to feel British. As Allan Massie pointed out recently, the Scots have no trouble fighting a war under a British flag, but in peacetime the reasons are less compelling.

> Conference resolutions show how moderate this once radical party has become

More than 15 years ago, the nationalist Tom Nairn wrote in his book *The Break-up of Britain*: "It would be exaggerated to claim that the UK state is yet quite like the Hapsburg Empire or the old Castilian state. But the similarities are notable enough: there is a recognisable composite of archaism, incorrigible economic failure, backward-looking complacency, indurate social conservatism and blind will to survive in the same historic form." Extract the polemic from this and many Scots would agree. Great Britain has a much weaker claim on people's loyalty than Scotland.

Yet the polls still show a healthy majority for the Labour Party, which proposes a Scottish parliament within the Union, rather than a separate state. Nagging problems attach to this. Labour has not yet spelt out how this would work in practice, or how much it would cost. Furthermore, the Scots have been voting doggedly for devolution for years, to no great effect. Small wonder that they may be losing faith in it. They know that however many Scots support it, a parliament in Edinburgh can only be delivered by the voters of the Midlands and the South-East of England.

So for the time being, the Scottish Nationalists have some appeal. But whether they can continue to claim the radical high ground with their exciting call for seat-belts on buses and less pollution remains to be seen.



No shortcuts will do

Whatever the problem, the Swiss have an implement for the purpose. Now they have been knifed by a judge

Bernard Levin

There is no getting away from it: the Swiss are not greatly loved. (Except by the Swiss themselves, I presume.) There is something about their placidity that turns into smugness, and their efficiency annoys not only the lands which lack the Swiss meticulousness but even those which are reasonably efficient themselves. Much of the dislike of the Swiss comes from (it was ever thus) plain envy. Lesser breeds without the law can only stand and jeer; but the mockery can go too far — Switzerland has been permanently damaged by those brutal but imperishably memorable words of Orson Welles:

> In Italy for thirty years under the Borgias they had warfare, terror, murder, bloodshed — they produced Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci and the Renaissance. In Switzerland they had brotherly love, five hundred years of democracy and peace, and what did they produce . . ? The cuckoo clock.

Anyone who has the smallest idea of Swiss history will know that the Swiss have fought — have had to fight — for their independence; those 500 years were very far from democracy and peace, and when, in the Second World War, Switzerland was the only light in subjugated Europe to remain burning, the Swiss were ready for Hitler, as they have always been and still are ready for any intruder however unlikely it is today that any power would intrude. (By Swiss law, every adult male must still have and keep a gun, together with ammunition.)

Yet, as I say, the Swiss are not widely loved; perhaps the goody-goody story of William Tell and the apple has got up the world's nose. (It got up my nose good and proper when Covent Garden staged Rossini's version. I can tell you. I recall going there with a troubled mind; for weeks — months — the work had been boosted, and when the day came the house was packed. Why, then, did I have a troubled mind? It was because I had realised that the famous overture — diddle-dum diddle-dum diddle-dum-dum-dum — was the only bit of the work any of us had heard. Was it possible, I asked my troubled mind, that the rest of it does not come up to the overture? I settled down in my seat, and having listened to one very familiar overture I found myself listening to something like four-and-a-half hours of the most pole-axeing boredom I had ever had in an opera-house.)

By now, my readers (at least those who have not fallen asleep with all this Swiss business or are from the Swiss Embassy hanging on my lightest word) will be wondering what I am getting at. I am getting at something the Swiss have made, and which no one else has made though very many have tried; something so splendid, so magnificent, so wonderful, gorgeous and beautiful (yes, it is also beautiful, though dangerous) that it ought to be greeted with hymns whenever it is seen. And now it is under attack, and it behoves me to break a lance or two in its defence.

Yes, of course you know what I am talking about: you guessed paragraphs ago. I am talking about the Swiss army knife — no, I'm not. I'm talking about The Swiss Army Knife — that unique creation, and mine lies beside me as I write. (The attack I mentioned I shall discuss a little later.)

I pick it up, and open it to the full, very gingerly, and I count yet again the unbelievable riches which, once opened, it displays. For those of you who do not know my treasure already, I urge you to rush to any shop sensible enough to stock it; but before you rush, let me enumerate its joys. Not counting the attachments that have a dual purpose, they are in number — I speak true, let the newcomers gasp — *fifteen*.

Here is the Great Blade, king of the knife, before which all other items bow. One mighty flash of steel, and, say, a Home Office minister bites the dust; if the wielder has a smattering of anatomy he could get it in two-and-a-half inches deep. The great knife is accompanied, point to point, by the small blade; although an inch and a quarter, it somehow seems quite placid, though it is every bit as sharp as its big brother. (Perhaps one could just cut the minister's jugular without a thrust.)

Before I forget them (me? miss my friends? bah! impossible!), let me demonstrate the tiniest of helpmeets: the tweezers and the toothpick. These could easily be overlooked; their tiny bodies slide into the haft of the knife and seem nothing but a spot. But neither the tweezers nor the toothpick is a jest; I have used them both and they both do the jobs they were made for.

Next, I take the saw. A toy saw, you say? You know not Switzerland, nor me. If any of my colleagues, reading this, is inclined to jeer, I shall be most happy to saw his desk in two. To remind me, I gently — oh, very gently — run my thumb along the saw, and I can assure you that that is no toy.

Now we get a little more domestic; any beautiful lady who has lost her nail-file, or any other beautiful lady who has just broken a nail and hasn't *got* a nail-file in her reticule, can be sure to find succour, at least if I am around; the cross-cutting is perfect and the makers have not forgotten to tip the file. A ruler, you say — there surely isn't a ruler? But there is. And a pair of scissors. And a magnifying glass. And a cork-screw. And a bottle-opener. And a nail-remover. And two kinds of screwdriver.

And — I brace myself against what is coming — a thing for taking stones out of horses' hooves.

No. I have never been in a situation which has called upon me to take any stone out of any horse's hoof. But that does not get us any further. For all I know, I may go to my death without ever having got nearer to taking out a stone of a horse's hoof than watching the Derby on television. Nevertheless, I say that it is a thing for taking stones out of horses' hooves, and you can't prove that it isn't. (My beloved old friend Bill Hewitt, who died some months ago, once shut me up when I was taking the horses' hooves position against him, by saying — somewhat unkindly I thought, though accurately — that I wouldn't know which end of a horse was which, and so could hardly claim detailed knowledge of their hooves.)

But now for the call to arms. In the United States, some cross-eyed nasty (may he be trampled to death by enraged horses with their hooves full of stones) has managed to convince a presumably chuckleheaded judge that the Swiss Army knife (that is what it has always been called) is not "location-specific", so anybody can now make and sell things, however inferior, under the name of Swiss Army Knives.

The Real Stuff has no worries when it comes to China; for some two years there has been a counterfeit version, but it is so obviously inferior that the Real Swiss model was and is in no danger, though Real Swiss took the Chinese version to court, to put down a marker. But now? The way is clear for the fakers — fakers who cannot be arraigned as fakers, but are fakers nonetheless. Am I making fake heavy weather out of this story? You wouldn't say that if you knew how the very word Victorinox has thrilled me from the day, many years ago, that I acquired my knife.

Bad money drives out good: Gresham's Law. But that wise truth can be used in a thousand forms, and every one of them gloomily true. After all, you don't have to be as old as I am to remember Oxford Street before it was ruined (even the mock auction has come back!) But why do ten things deteriorate in the time one thing improves? Entropy, somebody said, but that doesn't help, particularly because I have no idea what it means.

Well, I have my Real Swiss Knife, with its 15 helpmeets, and nobody is going to tell me that I should turn it in for a cheap (or, for that matter, expensive) fake.

Dreams, dreams; perhaps we could catch the judge who delivered the judgment and lock him in with the four-and-a-half hour *William Tell*. Or we could go about jogging the elbows of people we see using the fakes. Or — and perhaps it is the best way to go — we could say, and go on saying, as did one of the chief executives of The Real Stuff, "The Americans make such a fuss about protecting consumers and intellectual property rights, and then they do this."

Why the IRA are beaten

Woodrow Wyatt on Major the great negotiator

Last Friday on Belfast television, John Major displayed a remarkable, confident authority on Northern Ireland. He is a supreme negotiator, patient but determined. His promise of a referendum in the province on any proposals emanating from discussions satisfied even Mr Paisley, who had previously made a disgraceful exhibition of himself when telling the Prime Minister in Downing Street that he was lying in maintaining that there were no secret deals and would be none.

Albert Reynolds was also pleased. Realistically, he said he could foresee no change in Ulster's status for at least 25 years. For this he was abused by Sinn Fein leaders — no bad sign.

There also has to be a referendum in the Republic. The Constitution requires this before Articles 2 and 3, which claim that Northern Ireland is part of the Republic, can be removed. There is sure to be a massive vote in favour. Support for Sinn Fein (the IRA's spokesmen and partners) is scarcely over 1 per cent in the Republic, as against 10 per cent in Ulster. Northern Ireland's support for the *status quo* was demonstrated in the referendum of 1973: of an electorate of just over a million, nearly 600,000 voted to stay in the United Kingdom. Since then, more and more Roman Catholics have been supporting the Union. The official British Social Attitudes Survey of two years ago found that 38 per cent of Northern Ireland's Roman Catholics want to remain in the UK.

This is hardly surprising. The standard of living in the North is substantially higher than in the South, and social security services and pensions are better, being financed on a bigger tax base. Unemployment is admittedly high in Ulster, at 13 per cent; but in the Republic it is 17 per cent. The North's industrial productivity, based on the pervading work ethic, is high, and much of the real industry in the whole of Ireland is found around Belfast and Londonderry. During the past 25 years of IRA terrorism, firms coming to Ulster have done well, and if there is a permanent peace more investment will follow.

There is little reason why Roman Catholics or anyone else should wish to join a Republic dominated by old fashioned Catholicism. In the Republic divorce is not allowed, and what contraceptive devices are permitted are curiously described as not being for birth control. It is true that abortions are not lawful in Ulster, but nothing prevents the people going to London for them; whereas in the Republic there is a tremendous commotion if a pregnant teenager goes to England for one even after a rape.

The ban on the voices of Sinn Fein leaders being heard on the air greatly irritated them, so Major's decision to lift it immediately seems debatable. But it does gives a chance to make a better assessment of the IRA's spokesmen. However, the actors were easier to understand; the genuine tones are so thick that the Sinn Fein leaders actually got their message over more clearly before.

Mr Major has made no change to his insistence that permanent peace must be promised before discussions start. The failure of the IRA/Sinn Fein to give this assurance must mean that they are keeping their options open, that if they do not get what they hope for, they will recommence the terrorism. Yet they seem certain to be forced to do what Mr Major asks. They are a busted flush of no substance. There has never been so great a demand for an end to violence, on both sides of the border.

Those most reluctant to promise peace — which involves surrendering their arms — are probably those who care less for a united Ireland than for the vast sums they make in laundering drug money, often from American sources, and protection rackets. The rest of the IRA will have to stamp on these dissidents if it is ever to take part in future discussions.

Birthrates among Ulster Catholics are slowing down. They are now about 40 per cent of the population in the province. The hatreds were never primarily religious but racial. The Stuart settlers who got the best bits of Ulster more than 350 years ago, around the time that the *Mayflower* sailed to Massachusetts, were Scottish and English who happened to be Protestant, unlike the indigenous Irish. They have been resented ever since.

At last, resentment eases and hope rises. There is a powerful feeling among the majority in the North that all the resistance to the IRA murders and bombings has been worthwhile. That goes, too, for the British on the mainland, who have never flinched despite the inhuman destruction.

Gerry Adams seeks a visa to visit America at the end of September. If President Clinton sees him at the White House and he is welcomed as some kind of hero, Anglo-American relations will be badly damaged. He is no more a hero than the retaliatory murderers of the so-called loyalists. Albert Reynolds understands this, and has played his part courageously. But the author of a permanent peace will be persuasive John Major, fast being appreciated abroad, if not yet at home, as a top world statesman.

Pen friends

ANOTHER aristocratic heirloom is due to go under the gavel. The Earl of Shelburne, master of Bowood House and its 5,000 acres in Wiltshire, is selling off correspondence from the family archives.

They should fetch a tidy sum as Lord Shelburne, a close friend of the Prince of Wales and his near-neighbour Camilla Parker Bowles, has a well-connected ancestry. Christie's believes the scribblings to and from his family could sell for around £700,000.

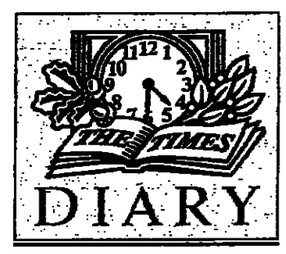
American interest and fevered bidding is assured for reams of correspondence between King George III and the 2nd Earl of Shelburne, who was heavily involved in negotiations after the American War of Independence. "These letters alone are likely to fetch between £90,000 and £120,000," says Christie's.

The present earl, president of the Historic Houses Association and heir to the marquessate of Lansdowne, is reluctant to talk about the sale, which would clearly help maintenance costs on his enormous mansion. "I'm not saying a single word," he declared from his golf club yesterday. A clear indication of the family's pedigree is contained in the collection, however. There are signed letters to Shelburne's ancestors from Napoleon, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and William Penn. He has also commissioned Christie's to auction correspondence with Lord Byron, Thomas Moore and the father of photography, Henry Fox-Talbot. Less in evidence is modern-day communication with royalty — the mobile phone has taken its toll.

Sticky fingers

STILL glowing from the triumph of her five-tier masterpiece of cake and confectionery for Laura Palumbo's wedding on Saturday, Jane Asher, purveyor of baked extravaganzas to the great and the good, has been lending her knowledge of the sweet things of life to radio.

She will soon be investigating the sticky world of chocolate technology on a Radio 2 programme celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the famous American Hershey Bar. "During my investigation I had to eat the latest development: tomato-flavoured chocolate. Quite disgusting," she shuddered. Nothing, however, on the dill, geranium and rhubarb bars now at the culinary edge of chocolate technology.



● *The rail strike is still exerting pressure. Railtrack needs another press officer. "Successful candidates will be required to be medically fit to go on or about the railway track," says an advertisement this week. And man the odd signal box perhaps?*

Ewe bet

ACCUSATIONS of foul play are being levelled at Viscount Whitelaw's daughter, Susan Cunliffe-Lister. Local people are complaining that she has employed dubious tactics to secure victory at the annual sheep race at Masham, her North Yorkshire estate, next weekend. The series of sprints involves runners hurtling over jumps and down a short course towards a pail of feed, which will be rattled. And the rattler will be Cunliffe-Lister herself.

Betting is furious for the charity race, and some owners claim Cunliffe-Lister's team, led by her champion Little Horn, has a distinct advantage: they know the sound of her bucket.

"They're my four greediest ewes," she boasts. "But the trouble is that other sheep are used to the sound of different buckets and some people think mine have an unfair advantage."



● *By toutatis! More adventures of Asterix, the indomitable Gaul, could be on the way. Attending a weekend convention in London, one of his creators, Albert Uderzo, was having second thoughts about putting his paintbrushes away. "I think we might have persuaded him to do another book," purred Anthea Bell, one of his translators. "It's in the lap of the gods now."*

Red-handed

TONY Blair's supporters are serious about crime. While popping the Labour Party's "Crack Down on Crime" leaflets through letterboxes in Cornwall the other day, Jeremy Rhys, a lifelong party member, caught a thief.

"Suddenly the front door flew open and this burly man, who was obviously up to no good, came running out," says Rhys, from Redruth. "I dropped my leaflets and jumped on top of him. I kept him in an armlock while my mate called the police. It's not very often that you can turn political prose into instant action."

Cat callers

LADY Antonia Fraser has been inundated with calls from cat-lovers after leaving a message about her



two new kittens on her answerphone. If anyone is calling about her cats, the message says, please leave all the information you can.

All callers understandably sympathise, thinking her cats are missing. Not a bit of it, says Lady Antonia, the message is simply a precaution — and a sensible one bearing in mind that Princess Michael of Kent's fluffy friend was killed near by. A squirrel was blamed. "They are young and spritely," says Lady Antonia, "and they do tend to wander off. I have my telephone number on their collar-tags so that people can ring me if they find them."

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CLINTON, CARTER, CEDRAS

Haiti's succession is safer, if not certain

Former President Jimmy Carter has fashioned for American troops an altogether more auspicious *entrée* to Haiti than President Clinton could have hoped for. Acting in the critical last hours before the forcible intervention for which Washington was poised, he prevailed upon the illegal regime of General Raoul Cédras to accept "an early and honourable retirement" by October 15 at the latest. The first American soldiers have now arrived in Port-au-Prince — with every indication that numbers will soon swell to nearly 15,000 — without aggressive engagement by Haiti's armed forces.

This will please Mr Clinton immeasurably: the anticipated danger to American lives, in a mission that has been misconstrued by many as devoid of interest for America, has been raised by opponents of intervention as a stick with which to beat him. The prospects of eventual acceptance of the exercise by Congress have improved; too, in inverse proportion to the risks American soldiers now run. Sensibly, he has struck a note of caution in emphasising that the "mission still has its risks". Haiti is a troubled and divided country whose security forces and élite stand to gain nothing from the enforced departure of General Cédras.

The agreement concluded by Mr Carter and Emile Jonaissant, the puppet President installed by the military junta, has not been to everyone's taste. It nowhere mentions Jean-Bertrand Aristide, Haiti's legitimate President, by name; and it presses no obligation on General Cédras and his colleagues to leave Haiti. Representatives of numerous exile groups in Miami were quick to castigate it. If the regime was on the verge of being ousted militarily, they ask, why has it been allowed another month in power?

Those who ask this question — which is not merely rhetorical — are owed an answer which works at two levels. The first is that General Cédras will no longer wield power in any meaningful sense. Under the Carter agreement, the Haitian military and police "will work in close cooperation with the American military mission". Evidence of an inclination not to do so will be addressed by those who command, with a Security Council mandate, the 15,000 troops in Haiti. A repeat of the breach of last year's Governors Island Accord — which functions as a prototype for the Carter agreement — would be impossible to execute.

The second level of analysis is the more complex, as it seeks to address Haiti's problems in the longer term. The American willingness to allow General Cédras until October 15 suggests that Mr Clinton is aware of the fragility — and perilous impermanence — from which a "quick fix" would suffer. Haiti must be reconstructed, both literally and figuratively. To this end, Security Council Resolution 940 obliges Mr Clinton to establish "and maintain" a secure and stable environment in Haiti. This cannot be achieved effectively by an immediate decapitation of the country's institutions.

Yet these same institutions cannot survive unchanged. Although a "general amnesty" has been promised in exchange for the regime's agreement to depart, such an amnesty cannot mean that the structures of terror remain in place. Meticulous attention must be paid to the reform of Haiti's security forces if the country is to be rid of its most virulent poison. Resolution 940 will, to an extent, ensure that Mr Clinton's commitment to Haiti it is not ephemeral: the decision to hand over conduct of the mission to the UN rests not with him but with the Security Council. Naturally, if Mr Clinton loses the political will to remain in Haiti, there is no effective way by which he can be held to the letter of Resolution 940.

It is to this complex stage that Mr Aristide will return. It must be the task of the American troops to ensure that the forces which overthrew him in 1991 do not again make Haiti ungovernable. This is not the project of a few weeks, nor even that of a few months. When the Secretary-General does agree with the American commander on the ground that a "secure and stable" environment has indeed been established, the baton of Haiti's regeneration will pass to the UN Mission in Haiti. But Mr Clinton's responsibilities will not cease with this "second phase"; on the contrary, the critical test of his vision for a democratic hemisphere will only then begin.

TRUTH AND ITS ENEMIES

There was more to Popper than his politics

Karl Popper, whose death marks an epoch in philosophy, was a self-taught man whose self-confidence would have sustained him anywhere. But he succeeded in Britain because his fellow émigré F.A. Hayek persuaded the London School of Economics to tempt him back from New Zealand exile in 1945. Like Hayek, like Wittgenstein, like Gombrich, he towered over our Lucky Jims: he had been steeped in that Viennese civilisation which was once among the redeeming miracles of this murderous century. Popper could only remain true to this rich inheritance by abjuring the authoritarian climate of his native Austria, and embracing instead the more tentative culture of "conjectures and refutations" that he found in his adoptive homeland.

Popper is best-known for *The Open Society and its Enemies*, which established him at the outset of the Cold War as a champion of Anglo-American individualism against totalitarianism. It was a brave book, but not his best. Although his critique of "oracular philosophy" — Plato, Hegel and Marx — was gleefully appropriated by conservatives and libertarians, Popper was neither. He merely advocated "piecemeal social engineering" rather than collectivism. Popper also had no desire to become one of the "prophets" he had just denounced.

In 1934 a far more original book by Popper had appeared. *The Logic of Scientific Discovery* has enjoyed more lasting influence than the works of the celebrated Vienna Circle, in which it was debated, but to which its author never belonged. For Popper, a disciple of David Hume, the hallowed principle of scientific inquiry, induction, did not describe the manner in which discoveries were made. The criterion of truth was falsifiability, not the process, empirical or otherwise, by which a hypothesis was verified. Scientific truth, he said, could never be verified, only disproved.

This made sense to countless scientists, who remain Popper's staunchest adherents. He did not accept the obvious conclusion, that truth is unattainable: indeed, the rest of his long life was devoted to finding a solution to the problem he had posed which did not surrender to the calamitous consequences of relativism.

A.J. Ayer, whose *Language, Truth and Logic* emerged from the same milieu, disapproved of Popper, not least because he saw the Popperians and their master as dogmatic, even authoritarian. For his part, Popper disdained the linguistic analysis of Ayer and Austin as unworthy of the name of philosophy. While sharing the Anglo-Saxon suspicion of metaphysical systems, he could not abide the fashion for cutting philosophy down to size, depriving it of its central role in Western thought.

Popper dramatised his confrontation with Wittgenstein in his autobiography. After Popper had given a paper in Cambridge at Russell's invitation, Wittgenstein allegedly picked up a poker and gesticulated with it, while demanding an example of a moral rule. "Not to threaten visiting lecturers with pokers," replied Popper, whereupon Wittgenstein abruptly departed. This uncorroborated account may be unfair to Wittgenstein, but does embody a truth about Popper: he was never impressed by great reputations, least of all his own.

'CROATIAN AND MUSLIM'

Rape, realism and the war artist

When *The Times* sponsored the Scottish artist, Peter Howson, to be the British official war artist in Bosnia, we knew that the commission was a risk for all concerned. The result was subsequently a recognised artistic triumph. We duly felt our pride of sponsorship. We also felt, and much more keenly, the terror that Peter Howson experienced and the horror of what we and the Imperial War Museum had asked him to do.

Then came the controversy. Which of the artist's manifold images of modern hatred should be bought by the museum for the national collection? At the exhibition opening the focus of attention was upon a large canvas entitled *Croatian and Muslim* which shows the brutal rape of a woman with her head jammed down a lavatory bowl. It is terrifying in its art and in its impact: and, according to many, the most specific symbol of a savage racial war in which rape and rumours of rape have played so dominant a part.

The artistic record committee of the Imperial War Museum, as is its right, voted by majority not to buy Peter Howson's *Croatian and Muslim*. Instead, for the main image of the Bosnian war by the official war artist, it chose to spend most of its £20,000 allocation of funds on *Cleansed*, a powerful but much less specific picture of bored, frightened and brutally cheerful refugees squatting by the roadside.

We can sympathise with the dilemma of a museum which exists to record the wars of this century in words and images, weapons and other military memorabilia but which is also a stop on the tourist trail, heavily visited by children and an important educational establishment for teaching history. It is more than an art gallery. Its curators have to tread a fine line between playing Disneyland with guns and telling the truth of war. Its recent re-creation of the Blitz was only a little less uncomfortable than the journey to Lambeth by Underground to visit it: but its exhibition of the Holocaust matched its theme at least inasmuch as anything possibly ever can.

Clearly, the picture chosen for the collection fulfils this mixed role more easily than would its more controversial rival. Peter Howson's images of rape, castration, impalings, and the women who glean skulls from the fields are not for the unwary or the squeamish. Just as we considered *Croatian and Muslim* wrong for publication in *The Times*, the painting may not be right for the Imperial War Museum. But it ought to be bought for public display. It would be regrettable if that display were not, at least initially, here in Britain.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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How to lessen the costs of housing

From the Chief Executive of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Sir, Some time ago the Government started to shift the basis of social housing subsidies from bricks and mortar towards personal help for tenants, according to need. At the same time private-sector rents for new lettings were deregulated.

This was the right strategy in a free market economy. Personal subsidies are economically more efficient. They also promote occupiers' choice of tenure, landlord and size and quality of accommodation.

There were three predictable consequences: local authority and housing association rents have risen sharply; the decline of the private rented sector has been arrested (although other factors have contributed); the housing benefit bill has increased — so the Chief Secretary to the Treasury is trying to slash it (report, September 6; letter, September 15). Two arms of Government are working from different agendas: a dangerous case of trying to have our cake and eat it?

If the needs of those who cannot otherwise afford adequate housing are to be met, and if private-sector funds are to be tapped for this purpose, income support must be maintained at a level that gives the private sector a chance of getting an adequate return on its investment. It must also have confidence that this will continue to be the case. All political parties have responsibilities here.

We need a fundamental look at income support for both home owners and tenants, with the aim of developing a tenure-neutral system of support to reduce the poverty trap and preferably lead gradually to reduced housing costs in real terms. Employment looks set to remain less secure in all sectors of the economy. A lower proportion of household incomes spent on housing is desirable, and would encourage economic growth.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL PATTISON,
Chief Executive,
The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors,
12 Great George Street,
Parliament Square, SW1.
September 16.

Safety in taxis

From Mr W. P. I. Beaumont

Sir, You report (Travel News, September 8) that few passengers in London taxis bother to wear seatbelts, despite statistics showing that 1,272 passengers were injured in them last year and despite a claim by the British Safety Council that "there is a special need to wear seatbelts in taxis". Your story also explains that the responsibility for wearing seatbelts rests with the passenger and not the driver, as they were specifically excluded from the law when it was framed.

This exclusion is probably fair enough. What I cannot understand, however, is why the authorities still allow taxis to operate without fitted seatbelts. As a parent, I dislike taking children in any vehicle without seatbelts, and you cannot tell which taxis have or have not got belts until you are half way inside them.

The law regarding rear seatbelts has now been in force for three years. This should be enough time for even the most obdurate cabbie to have fitted them and it must be time for the authorities to make this compulsory in all London taxis.

Yours faithfully,
WENTWORTH BEAUMONT,
Flat 7, 8 Draycott Place, SW3.
September 8.

From Ms Laura Tatham

Sir, If taxi seatbelts are widely ignored it is because of their ridiculous design. The "tail" attached to the seat, into whose end the clip on the long, main portion of the belt must be inserted, is far too short.

This means the belt must be fastened "blind" — an operation involving prolonged and uncomfortable squirming in an attempt to locate the slot. Even for a person of average dimensions, like the writer, this effort is frequently fruitless, particularly when wearing a heavy coat. No wonder many of us abandon the struggle.

Yours faithfully,
LAURA TATHAM,
28 Halton Road, Islington, N1.
September 8.

Absent royals

From Wing Commander P. D. J. Wood, RAF (retd)

Sir, I was pleased to see that two prominent and much respected royals (Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands and our own Prince of Wales) were present at the memorial ceremonies to commemorate the Battle of Arnhem — which we lost. But I was saddened that no member of any royal family was personally present at yesterday's thanksgiving service for the Battle of Britain (report, September 19) — which we won.

Despite the serious setback of the former we still managed to win the war; if the latter had been lost we would not.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
P. D. J. WOOD,
2 St John's Road,
Sevenoaks, Kent.
September 19.

Great names of art and questions of attribution

From Mr Julian Pritchard

Sir, Your leader (September 15) about connoisseurship, *prompted by the* renewed debate about what Michelangelo, if any, is at the National Gallery, raises the question of public access to these contentious works.

Curators and restorers, working in tandem, have largely superseded the old, sometimes amateur, scholar-connoisseurs who trained and trusted their eyes. Now there is a belief in some short-cut to certainty through conservation science. But the "discoveries" need watching and in some cases challenging — which, as you say, it is made very difficult for outsiders to do.

Standards, even of scholarship, have slipped to a worrying degree. Two years ago the name of the Flemish painter, Robert Campin, was blazoned on hoardings in Trafalgar Square. The public, invited inside to see five paintings "by" this master, found in the small print that there was actually no documentary evidence for linking any of them with his name (and could have been forgiven for thinking privately that they were by four different artists).

The National Gallery's "unquestionable" attribution to Raphael of a small *Madonna with the Pinks* — perhaps by a minor Florentine painter called Foschi — is not only questionable, it is insulting to a great artist. Similarly the "Manchester" Madonna and *The Entombment*, works totally different from each other, are both claimed for Michelangelo.

Are we back in 1900, when Bernard Berenson had to tell the lordly owners of old masters that they did not have four Leonardos, as they thought, but one or none? Today the lordly owners own the public's pictures but are no less concerned to claim proprietorship of the great names of art. Condescendingly they appear to believe that we, the ignorant public, can only be fed with such names.

What is needed, surely, is less curatorial say-so, and much more collaboration with anyone still interested in trying to define the individual imagination. Such shared connoisseurship should also precede and not follow the interventions of restorers.

Yours sincerely,
JULIAN PRITCHARD,
42 Bradmore Park Road, W6.
September 15.

From Mr Martin Bailey

Sir, Your report (September 15) that the National Gallery's *The Entombment* may not be by Michelangelo takes insufficient account of recently-discovered evidence about his commission for the church of Sant'Agostino in Rome.

In September 1500 Michelangelo was paid to paint an altarpiece for its chapel dedicated to the Pietà. Documents found by Michael Hirst and Alexander Nagel in Roman and Florentine archives, and published in 1981 and earlier this year, show that he abandoned the commission and repaid his fee the following spring, probably because he had been asked to carve the colossal statue of David for Florence cathedral.

The Entombment, which is listed as by Michelangelo in a 1649 inventory of the Farnese collection in Rome and is now in the National Gallery, is probably this half-finished altarpiece. Nevertheless, Michael Daley's theory that the painting is by Bandinelli should still be considered and it will no doubt be debated when *The Entombment* goes on show in the gallery's Michelangelo exhibition next month.

I feel that your editorial criticising museum curators for excessive secrecy is unfair in the case of the National Gallery. When I recently researched an article on the provenance of *The Entombment*, curator Dr Nicholas Penny was very open in sharing their material. Documents from the gallery's dossier were made available, including correspondence about the negotiations in 1868 over the price of the painting.

As your readers will learn from an article to be published in the October issue of *Apollo* magazine, *The Entombment* almost ended up being used by a carpenter as a table top. In 1846 the panel was rescued by a Scottish painter and pioneer photographer in Rome. He paid £1 for the Michelangelo, smuggled it out of Rome and sold it to the National Gallery.

Yours faithfully,
MARTIN BAILEY,
c/o Apollo,
29 Chesham Place, SW1.
September 16.

From Mr J. C. Ryder Richardson

Sir, The debate about a Michelangelo painting will be as nothing compared to all the excitement in Trafalgar Square, which will now be full of observers trying to catch a glimpse of the dovecotes as they flutter.

Pity the poor doves!

Yours faithfully,
J. C. RYDER RICHARDSON,
Friary Court, The Friary,
Salisbury, Wiltshire.
September 15.

Standards at the Bar

From Mr Michael Sherrard, QC

Sir, Your report (September 13) of the outcome of Lord Alexander's committee on standards at the Bar should be welcomed by the profession and the public. It is essential that any barrister going into court has professionally competent advocacy skills. No client and no case, however small, should be the victim of incompetent or inadequate advocacy.

To this end the four Inns of Court have for some time been working together to resume their ancient role of teaching core skills to their students, and practical exercises are already taking place.

The Inns Council thought it premature to set up an Institute of Advocacy as Lord Alexander proposes (although two of the Inns, including Middle Temple, were in favour of doing so). I venture to hope that a unified body such as an institute (similar bodies are already well established in America and Australia) will emerge as a single teaching unit. In the meantime each Inn, in broad co-operation with the other three, is working on a substantial programme of advocacy training for all its pupils intending to practise at the Bar.

Middle Temple has set up a unit, Middle Temple Advocacy, of which I am director, which will be offering a free, intensive course in advocacy skills to all its pupils. It has the unqualified support of the Chairman of the Bar, and many senior practitioners and eminent judges have volunteered to take part in the task of establishing in our young barristers the acceptable and competent standards the public and the courts are entitled to expect from all those appearing in the courts in a professional capacity.

Lord Alexander's report, in regard to advocacy at least, is already in process of implementation.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL SHERRARD,
The Treasury, Middle Temple, EC4.
September 13.

Sight tests

From Professor A. R. Elkington, President of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists

Sir, The controversy over the number of routine sight tests carried out in recent years (report, September 10) is likely to remain unresolved.

There are figures to support the Minister of Health's claim that as many tests are carried out now as there were before unconditional funding was withdrawn on April 1, 1989 (1987-88, 13.49 million; 1993-94, 13.18 million).

However, for several years prior to 1987 there had been a steady annual increase of approximately 4.5 per cent in the number of tests performed. This trend probably stems both from the progressive increase in the number of elderly in the population and the enhanced public awareness of the importance of detecting eye disease before sight is affected. It seems that this trend has been arrested. Hence the debate on the "missing millions".

It is estimated that half the sight tests are private; but as figures are not recorded centrally they have to be derived from surveys, which gives limitless scope for argument over sampling errors and so on.

Several groups within the community are recognised as being at special risk of developing glaucoma and need to be examined regularly. These include the elderly and those of Afro-Caribbean descent, neither of which group is eligible for a free sight test, although first-degree relatives, aged over 40, of known sufferers are eligible.

It is generally accepted that if the disease is caught early modern treatment will either arrest or slow the blinding process in most cases. The debate on how this can best be achieved should be based on a careful study of all the available facts.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW ELKINGTON,
President,
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17 Cornwall Terrace, NW1.
September 15.

Over the border

From Mr David Lea

Sir, Matthew Parris ("We English are marvellous at crime . . .", September 12) is, of course, free to ascribe what sense he wishes to his "own tribe — the English".

He really cannot, however, be allowed to get away with including that great Welshman, Lloyd George, within that tribe.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID LEA,
109 Albert Street, NW1.
September 12.

All clued up

From Mr Henry Vivian-Neal

Sir, "Gangster and president are indistinguishable (5)" — *Times* crossword clue, September 15. "Capone and Eisenhower appear similar (5)" — *Guardian* crossword clue, September 15.

Fortunately the answers were "alike".

Yours faithfully,
H. VIVIAN-NEAL,
17 Buchanan Gardens,
Kensal Green, NW10.
September 16.

Properties of plants

From Professor Malcolm B. Wilkins

Sir, In my Royal Institution lecture on sensory mechanisms in plants at the British Association meeting in Loughborough (report, September 10) I certainly did *not* say that plants were intelligent. The aim of my lecture was to demonstrate to the public at large, and especially to young people, that plants possess an array of sophisticated sensory systems comparable to our own. Plants can detect different colours of light, gravity and when they are touched; they can measure time and recognise one another. Some have nervous systems, can count and possess a memory.

I was extremely careful to point out, however, that unlike humans, plants do *not* make intelligent use of the information gained from their sensory systems but that their reactions to external stimuli are entirely pre-programmed.

Yours faithfully,
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September 12.

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Short children

From the Coordinator, The Wessex Growth Study

Sir, The parents of any short child reading the report (September 13) of the British Medical Association meeting might have been alarmed to learn that "short children score less highly in intelligence tests and are less socially confident".

We would like to reassure all parents and teachers that this is not the case. There is no research, to date, to show that short stature, in a normal, healthy child, growing up in a caring environment, is either an intellectual or a social handicap.

The poor scholastic attainment of the short children in our own community study was shown to be closely linked to the greater prevalence of social deprivation in this group.

Yours faithfully,
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September 15.

Education in Kerala

From Miss Kalyani Menon

Sir, As Kerala has been an educational leader for about 130 years the high level of literacy need not surprise Margot Norman ("Re-inventing the 11+", September 6).

My ancestor, Diwan T. Shangunny Menon, introduced free primary education there in about 1860 when he was Prime Minister, some years before it was available in England. Many modern schools in Kerala offer free education in English. The children attend in uniform and do homework from the age of four. Although classes are large, teachers write regular comments in each child's book, which is then counter-signed by the parent.

Just after Indian independence in 1947 many people from Kerala, not all men, held senior government posts and they continue to be found in politics, medicine, engineering and other spheres in India, the United States and here. As there is a very large graduate population, many have to seek employment outside the state.

Visitors to Kerala will be surprised to see it described as one of the poorest south Indian states. It is in fact one of the most advanced of Indian states, with a fine education system and probably the nation's highest literacy rate.

Yours faithfully,
KALYANI MENON
(of the family of Thottekat),
5 Halland Way,
Northwood, Middlesex.
September 6.

It's good to talk

From Mr Nigel V. Brooks

Sir, What price the supposed "information superhighway" when I have today received a letter by second-class post from BT to the effect that they have been unable to contact me by telephone to verify that the telephone line fault I reported had been corrected?

Do I take a course in semaphore in readiness for the next communication?

Yours faithfully,
NIGEL V. BROOKS,
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Hanwell, W7.
September 14.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 19: The Prince Edward, Patron, this evening attended the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain's "Development Evening" Reception at the Imagination Gallery, 25 Store Street, London WC1, followed by a performance of "Macbeth" at the Bloomsbury Theatre, Gordon Street.

Mrs Richard Warburton was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 19: The Princess Royal, Patron, Farms for City Children, this morning attended a board meeting at Wick Court, Arlingham, Frampton on Severn, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Gloucestershire (Mr Henry Elwes).

Her Royal Highness, accompanied by Commander Timothy Laurence RN, this evening attended the NATO Military Committee Dinner at Merchant Taylors' Hall, 30 Threadneedle Street, London EC2.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 19: The Princess of Wales, Vice President, British Red Cross Society, this morning left Heathrow Airport, London, to attend a meeting of the Policy Planning and Advisory Commission of the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in Geneva, Switzerland.

Mr Patrick Jephson was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 19: The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust, this morning received Sir Richard Butler, Bt, on relinquishing the appointment of Chairman of the Trust and Mr David Mallen on assuming the appointment.

YORK HOUSE
September 19: The Duke of Kent this morning visited Stoke Mandeville Burns and Reconstructive Surgery Research Trust, Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Buckinghamshire (Commander The Lord Cottesloe).

His Royal Highness this afternoon opened the Risborough Springs Swim and Fitness Centre, Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire.

Mr Nicolas Adamson was in attendance.

The Duchess of Kent this morning visited the Goonvean and Rostowrack China Clay Company Limited, St Stephen Street, St Austell, Cornwall, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cornwall (The Right Honourable the Viscount Falmouth).

Her Royal Highness this afternoon visited St Agnes Island School, St Agnes, Isles of Scilly, and as Patron, the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Leagues of Hospital and Community Friends, later opened the Friends Mobility Centre, Tehidy House, Treliske Hospital, Truro.

Mrs Julian Tomkins was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Mr John Dankworth, jazz musician, 67; Mr Geoffrey Dear, HM Inspector of Constabulary, Worcester, 57; the Earl of Ducie, 43; the Very Rev George Earle, SJ, former headmaster, Stonyhurst College, 69; Sir Douglas Falconer, former High Court judge, 80; Mr Mike Hall, MP, 42; the Right Rev C.C.W. James, Bishop of Winchester, 68; General Sir Garry Johnson, 57; Miss Sophia Loren, actress, 60; Sir Duncan McDonald, former chairman, Northern Engineering Industries, 73; Miss Anne McIntosh, MEP, 40; Professor R.M.H. McMinn, anatomist, 71; Mr D.L. Mahoney, chairman, Alexander Howden, 44; Miss Jane Manning, soprano, 56; Sir Stuart Milner-Barry, civil servant and chess champion, 88; Sir David Nicolson, former chairman, BTR, 72; Miss Christine Oddy, MEP, 39; the Right Rev Kenneth Riches, former Bishop of Lincoln, 86; Mr José Rivero, golfer, 39; Mr Alan Simpson, MP, 46; Sir John Summerfield, former Chief Justice, Cayman Islands, 74; Mr Jeremy Varcoe, director-general, United World Colleges, 57; Sir John Whitehead, diplomat, 62; Mr Fred Winter, racehorse trainer, 68.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Sir James Dewar, natural philosopher, Kincardine-on-Forth, 1842; Sir George Robey, comedian, London, 1869; Upton Sinclair, novelist, Baltimore, Maryland, 1878; Stevie Smith (pseudonym of Florence Smith), poet, Hull, 1902; Kenneth More, actor, Gerrards Cross, 1914.

DEATHS: John Gauden, Bishop of Worcester 1662, Worcester, 1662; Robert Emmet, Irish patriot, executed, Dublin, 1803; Jacob Grimm, philologist and collector of folk tales, Berlin, 1863; Annie Besant, co-founder of the Theosophical Society, Adyar, Madras, 1933; Sir Denison Ross, orientalist, Istanbul, 1940; Jean Sibelius, Järvenpää, Finland, 1957; George Seferis, poet, Nobel laureate 1963, Athens, 1971.

Salisbury Cathedral was consecrated, 1258.

Ferdinand Magellan set sail from Seville with a fleet of five small ships in an attempt to circumnavigate the world, 1519.

English and French forces defeated the Russians at the battle of Alma in the Crimea, 1854.

The *Queen Elizabeth II* was launched, Clydebank, 1966.


ROBIN MAYES

Patrick Deuchar, left, chief executive of the Albert Hall, and Paul Findlay, managing director of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, after announcing that the orchestra is to make the Albert Hall its London home

Orchestra finds a home after 48 years

BY ANJANA AHUJA

AFTER two years of secret discussions the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the Albert Hall are to collaborate in a scheme that would give the orchestra a home there from 1996 and help to shift the focus for classical music away from the South Bank.

Britain's national orchestra would have its first London home since it was formed 48 years ago. A pilot season of 10 concerts at the Albert Hall is planned for the 1995-96 season.

The RPO's core grant from the Arts Council has been cut from £400,000 to £300,000 for its 1994-95 season. The proposed move to South Kensington would give the orchestra a potential audience of 5,000, compared with 3,000 at its present base, the Festival Hall. Seats priced at a few pounds each would be aimed at attracting newcomers.

The RPO needs at least £500,000 to set up the pilot season, which would match the funding level of the London Philharmonic and the Philharmonia orchestras.

Paul Findlay, managing director of the RPO, said: "If the RPO moves, it will help the South Bank and the Arts Council to rationalise the provision of music in London. It would do everyone a lot of good.

"Somebody has got to do something about it. I'm not prepared to go on at the Festival Hall with people tripping over each other."

Mr Findlay hopes that the orchestra will qualify for a share of the National Lottery proceeds. The Arts Council has not yet promised funding but Patrick Deuchar, chief executive of the Albert Hall, said: "They have not said no to the money. We would not be going public if we had not had any encouragement."

Forthcoming marriages

Mr L.M. Borkan and Miss C.J. Wells
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs B.S. Borkan, of New York, and Catfinka Jane, daughter of Major and Mrs D.G. Wells, of Kennethmont, Aberdeenshire.

Dr M.C. Jolly and Dr S.J. Harvey
The engagement is announced between Matthew, elder son of the late Judge Anthony Jolly and of Mrs Rosemary Jolly, of Freckleton, Lancashire, and Sue, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Harvey, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Mr I.E. Ruddock and Miss S.M. Cayton
The engagement is announced between Ian, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Ruddock, of Liverpool, Lancashire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Cayton, of Stapleton, Shropshire.

Mr L.H. Shinn and Miss V. Hannam-Fayers
The engagement is announced between Lawrence, only son of Mr and Mrs Michael Shinn, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Venetia, daughter of Mr Ernest Hannam, of Tarrant Hinton, Dorset, and Mrs Ann Fayers, of Stanford, California, USA.

Dr C.C.R. Sinclair and Miss S.K. Silvester
The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of the late Mr E.L. (Jock) Sinclair and of Mrs E.L. Sinclair, of Sutton Courtenay, Oxon, and Stella, younger daughter of Mr W.C. Silvester, of Cambridge and the late Mrs W.C. Silvester.

Mr T.C.M. Wilkinson and Miss N. Al-Shimali
The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Brigadier and Mrs Edward Wilkinson, of Ashford-in-the-Water, Derbyshire, and Nadya, daughter of Mr Mohammed Ahmed Al-Shimali, of Kuwait and the late Mrs Elizabeth Al-Shimali, of London.

Marriages

Dr N.W. Doll and Dr H.M. Dignum
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 10, at St Margaret's Church, Oxford, between Dr Nick Doll, son of Sir Richard and Lady Doll, of Oxford, and Dr Helen Dignum, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Dignum, of *Muswell Hill, London.*

A reception was held in Green College, concluding with a fireworks display.

Judge L. Charles, QC, and Mrs J.L. Orus
The marriage took place on Friday, September 16, in Chelsea, between Judge Leo Charles, QC, and Mrs Judith Lynda Orus.

Mr R.E. Jones and Miss M.A. Rankine
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 10, at St Alphege Church, Solihull, between Mr Robert Jones, son of the late Mr J.E. Jones and of Mrs Jones, and Miss Margaret Rankine, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Oman Rankine, of Cheshire.

The reception was held at Walton Hall, Warwickshire.

John Morley

A memorial service for the life of John Morley, author and pantomime writer, will be held at St Paul's Church, Covent Garden, on Friday, October 28, at noon.

David Latto Norrie

A memorial service for David Latto Norrie, former manager of D.C. Thomson and Co Limited, Fleet Street, and past-chairman of the Newspaper Conference, will be held at St Bride's Fleet Street, at noon on September 27. All colleagues and friends are invited.

Dinners

City of London Magistrates
The Lord Mayor, Chief Magistrate, presided at the annual dinner of the City of London Magistrates held last night at the Mansion House. Judge Stephen Tumim, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons for England and Wales, and Mrs Tumim were the guests of honour.

RAF Club Dining Society
Sir Peter Yarranton, Chairman of the Sports Council, was the guest of honour at a dinner of the Royal Air Force Dining Society held last night at the club.

St Mary's School, Wantage

The Autumn Term began on Tuesday, September 6. The new Headmistress is Mrs Susan Bodinham, BSc, AKC, AdvDipEd. There are two new Governors, Lady Wilcox, FBIM, FRSA, and Mrs J. Wentworth-Stanley. The Samuel Gorney (Sixth Form) Scholarship has been awarded jointly to Louise Pilkington and Polly Redfern. The Junior Scholarship holder is Sarah Carnegie, and a half scholarship has been awarded to Alice Girardot. The Confirmation service on Sunday, November 27, will be taken by Bishop Peter Walker, and the Carol Service will take place on Thursday, December 15.

Latest wills

Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Joshua Arnold Lucas, of Winterbourne Dauntsey, Wiltshire, formerly Commandant of the Army School of Physical Training, Aldershot, and Second-in-Command of the Winterbourne Gunner Gas School, left estate valued at £288,668 net.

Today's royal engagements

The Duchess of Gloucester will visit Kenninghall (Multiple Sclerosis Care Hotel), 13 Shakespeare Road, Worthing, at 10.35; will open the refurbished Sussex Oncology Centre, *Royal Sussex County Hospital*, Eastern Road, Brighton, at 11.45; as President of the Royal London Society for the Blind, will visit Dorton House School, Sevenoaks, at 1.25; and will open the Winged Fellowship's new guest wing at Crabhill House, King Cross Lane, South Nutfield, at 3.15.

The Duke of Kent, as Trustee of the Science Museum, will attend a meeting at the museum at 10.25.

Legal appointment

Mr David John Hale to be a judge on the Wales and Chester Circuit.

Meetings

Royal Over-Seas League

Mrs Catherine Graham-Harrison, Project Director of the Tate Gallery of Modern Art, was the guest speaker at the opening meeting of the autumn session of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs Elizabeth Cresswell presided.

The Pilgrims

Lord Carrington, KG, CH, President of The Pilgrims, presided at the annual meeting and lecture of The Pilgrims held yesterday at the American Embassy. Ambassador Robert E. Hunter, American Permanent Representative on the North Atlantic Council, delivered the Sir Harry Brittain memorial lecture. Mr Timothy Deal, Minister at the American Embassy, and Professor Robert M. Worcester, chairman of The Pilgrims, also spoke.

The Royal Institute of International Affairs

The meeting which was to have been addressed by Anwar Haddam on Wednesday, September 21, 1994, at 5.30pm at Chatham House has been cancelled.

Appointment

Mr Brian Bender to be deputy secretary in the Cabinet Office as head of the European secretariat.

State Opening of Parliament

The Queen will open Parliament at 11.30 on Wednesday, November 16, 1994.

Peers who will be present at the ceremony may apply for places in *the Chamber for their peeresses, or* alternatively husbands, and for eldest sons or daughters above 14 years of age.

A limited number of seats in the Royal Gallery will be available for guests of members of both Houses of Parliament. Members of the House of Commons should apply for these seats to the Speaker's Secretary, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA.

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BIRTHS

ARKELL - On 16th September 1994 at Nairobi Hospital, Kenya, to Sophie (née Spurling) and Julian, a daughter, Lara Jade.

BEDDOW - On September 15th, to Emma (née Viney) and Dominic, a daughter, Romilly Flora.

BLAKEY - On September 12th, to Libby and Will, a son, Harry Edward Charles, a brother for George.

CAIN - On 9th September, to Henrietta (née Sirl) and Robert, a daughter, Florence Rose.

ELLIS - On September 16th 1994, at home, to Helena (née Biggs-Davison) and Nick, a daughter, Lucy Rosemary Anne, a sister for Rebecca.

FAIRQUHARSON OF FINZEAN - On September 16th in Tokyo, Japan, to Catriona (née Rose) and Donald, younger of Finzean, a son, Rory Finlay Mór.

FOLKES - On Sunday 18th September, to Julia (née Muddeman) and Simon, a daughter, Jemima Charlotte, a sister for Katie.

GARDINER - On September 16th, to Camilla (née Edwards) and Tim, a son, Frederick James William.

GRASSICK - On 13th September, to Elisabeth (née Simpson) and David, a son, William David, a brother for Alexander and Peter.

HAMILTON - On August 29th, to Marian (née Kearney) and Angus, a son, Niall Robert Kearney, a brother for Katherine.

HARTRIDGE - On Sunday 18th September, to Suzanne and Ray, the gift of a son, Luke Edward John, a brother for Charlotte, Chase and Adam.

HEATHCOTE - On 12th September at The Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, SW10, to Tessa (née Organ) and Adam, a daughter, Zara Celine.

HEFFER - On September 14th at The Portland Hospital, to Jane (née Richards) and Philip, a beautiful daughter, Sophie, weighing 7lbs 4½oz.

JOHNSON - On 16th September at The Rosie Clinic, Cambridge, to Kath and Ian, a beautiful daughter, Georgia, 6lbs 5oz.

LEWIS - On September 14th, to Deborah (née Collins) and Christoff, a son, William Gregory Richard, a brother for Helena.

LONGMAN - On September 13th, to Jill (née Nicholas) and Michael, a son, Robert Stuart, a brother for Katie and James.

McKELVEY - On 2nd September, to Juliet and Robin, a son, Charles George Seymour.

BIRTHS

NEVILLE-ROLFE - On September 11th 1994, to Jennifer (née Holy-Hasted) and Richard, a son, Edmund Charles, a brother for Emma.

POWYS MAURICE - On 17th September, to Joanna (née Gray) and Simon, a son, Jack Christian, a brother for Emma and Katherine.

SWEENEY - On 13th September at the Royal Free Hampstead, to Louise (née Seery) and Seamus, a son, Joseph.

TROTTER - On September 18th, to Sarah (née Dent) and David, a son, Thomas Richard.

DEATHS

ARKELL - On 17th September, Arthur Cyril Tracy - promoted, aged 72, after having fought bravely for several years. Beloved and devoted husband of Betty. Fine Musician, Churchman, Chartered Engineer and a straight Ace. Funeral 22nd September, details (0787) 247389.

BAILLIE - Hilary, peacefully on 18th September 1994, widow of Lieut.-Colonel Percy Baillie M.C. Welsh Guards, mother of Anna and Virginia, grandmother of David. Funeral at St Luke's Church, Sydney Street, SW3, on Thursday 22nd September at 11 am. Family flowers only. Donations, if wished, to Children's Country Holidays' Fund, 42/43 Lower Marsh, London, SE1 7RG.

BOND - On September 16th, suddenly, Wilfrid, beloved husband of Kathleen, much loved father of David, Peter, Alistair and Michael and father-in-law and grandfather. Funeral on Friday 23rd September at 12.30 pm at Chichester Crematorium. No flowers please. Donations to British Heart Foundation.

BOSSIER - Nigel, very suddenly at home on 27th August. The funeral has taken place. Memorial Service at British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge, on Saturday 22nd October at 2.30 pm. Donations, if wished, to The Mammal Society Youth Group, 15 Cloisters Business Centre, 8 Battersea Park Road, London SW8 4BG.

BOYT - Harold Sherran, peacefully 17th September 1994, aged 80 years, after a short illness bravely borne. Beloved brother, father and grandfather and friend to many. Funeral Service Oxford Crematorium 2.pm Friday 23rd September 1994. Flowers or donations to Cancer Relief MacMillan Fund c/o Fisher and Townsend, 81 High Street, Witney, OX8 6LY. His friends welcome at his home after service.

BROHIER - On 18th September in a tragic car accident, in Sri Lanka, Gordon, beloved husband of Mollie, loving father of Susan and Trevor and much loved grandpa. A cremation service will be held in Sri Lanka. Donations, if desired, to Cancer Research.

BROWN - Bernard, much loved husband of Louise, died peacefully in Bart's on 15th September. Funeral Service at Islington Crematorium, High Road, East Finchley at 11 am on Friday 23rd September. Please, no flowers, but donations, if wished to The Bodley Scott Unit, Bart's Hospital, Smithfield EC1A 7BE.

CARTMELL - Adrian Charles, renowned London based fashion designer 1975-1982 and successful freelance designer in New York until his peaceful death at home on September 16th. Wonderful friend to many who will miss him. Donations, if wished, to The Terrence Higgins Trust, 52-54 Grays Inn Road, London WC1X 8JU. Any enquiries to Cindy White, tel: (071) 408-0625.

COLQUHOUN - Margaret, peacefully at home, September 17th, in her 100th year. Funeral Service at St Martins Church, Stanford, 11.am Thursday 22nd September. Flowers c/o J & M Humphris, tel: (0296) 255424.

DEANE - Donald Humphry (aged 69 years) suddenly at Barham on Sunday 18th September 1994. Funeral Service Canterbury Crematorium on Friday 23rd September 1994 at 11 am.

DIPPLE - Edward Francis, peacefully on 18th September. Funeral Service at St Nicholas Church, Harpenden, Herts, on Friday 23rd September at 11.30 am. Family flowers only. Donations to MacMillan Nurses.

DISNEY - On Friday 16th September, peacefully after a very short illness, Doreen Annie (née Saunders), adored wife of Peter, beloved mother of Elspeth and Richard, mother-in-law of Robert and Ann, sister of Sheila, and darling Grannie of Tucker. Lovely and pleasant in her life and always cheerful, she was everybody's friend. Funeral will be at Lavenham Church on Friday 23rd September at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations for 'Save the Children Fund' may be sent to W.A. Deacon Funeral Services, High Street, Lavenham, CO10 9PY.

EDWARDS - On Friday September 16th at Heathcrest Nursing Home, Ross-on-Wye, Wilfrid, aged 97 years, formerly of The British Geological Survey, widower of Monica and father of Eleanor. The funeral service will take place at Much Marcle Church on Thursday September 22nd at 2.15 pm, followed by cremation. No flowers please. Enquiries to B Hawcutt Funeral Directors, tel: Ledbury (0531) 632094.

DEATHS

GALE - On September 16th, peacefully at home in Burforth, Kenneth Gordon (Breeze) aged 86. Greatly loved by his wife Hilda, his daughters Carolyn and Gillian, his surviving sister Phyl, his grandchildren and all his many relatives and friends. Funeral on September 23rd 12 noon at Oxford Crematorium, Bayswater Road, Headington, Oxford. No flowers thank you but donations in his memory to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Enquiries to E. Taylor & Son Funeral Directors. (0993) 842421.

GALLAGHER - On September 16th, peacefully at Maidstone, Father Thomas Cathal, in his 87th year. Carmelite for 70 years and Priest for 63 years. Reception at 6.30 pm on Thursday 22nd and Funeral Mass on Friday 23rd September at 11.30 am at The Friars, Aylesford.

GARDINER-HILL - On 18th September 1994, Bella (née Fyfe) at Newburn House, Upper Largo. Funeral private. Thanksgiving Service at Crail Parish Church at 2.30 pm on Friday September 23rd 1994. All our friends are welcome. No family flowers only. Donations to Macmillan Nursing Service, Dunfermline.

GREY - Chris, beloved twin sister of Bill, for many years a teacher at George Abbott School, Guildford, on 17th September 1994, after a short illness, peacefully in Hindhead hospital. Funeral Service in Greyfriars Church, Kirkcudbright, on Thursday September 22nd at 2 pm, thereafter to St Cuthbert's Churchyard. Family flowers only please. Donations for Cancer Research, R.S.P.B. or R.S.P.C.A. to Osborne Funeral Directors, 41 Castle Street, Kirkcudbright. (0557) 330441.

HACKETT - Suddenly, on September 16th, in Brazil, Charles John, son of the late John Hackett of Manchester and Maureen Starling, cousin of Susan Diggle. Correspondence to: 13 Malbrook Road, London SW15 6UH. The funeral has taken place.

HUGHES - John David, of Wendover and formerly of Putney, on September 17th peacefully after a long illness. Beloved husband and dearest friend of Deirdre and dear father of David.

JUCKES - Peter Richard, on September 15th 1994, peacefully at The Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. Beloved husband of Jennie and loving father to Richard, Martin and Catherine. Funeral Service at St Ffraid's Church, Llansantffraid Y.M., at 11.30 am on September 23rd. Any enquiries please tel: (0691) 648243.

KNIPE - Peter, FRCS. Peacefully at home in East Chinnock on 15th September. Very dearly loved by his wife Gwyn, his children Claire, Christie and Matthew, and his grandchildren. Funeral at Yeovil Crematorium 2.30pm Monday 26th September. No flowers please. Donations, if desired, to Marie Curie Cancer Care.

LARTHE - Louis Phillippe on 17th September at home. Funeral at St Michael's, Brimpsfield. Friday 23rd September at 12.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations, please, for District Nurses and Marie Curie Funds at the church or at Brimpsfield Park.

LORAINE - On September 16th in Paris, Captain Paul Peter Loraine M.M., in his 89th year, much loved husband of Catherine Loraine, daughter of Monsieur Paul Boncour, former Prime Minister of France. Mourned by family and all those in France and England who knew him. Funeral Service to be held at Père-Lachaise, Paris, on Friday 23rd September at 4pm. Family flowers only.

MACKENZIE DAVEY - (Mac) at home at Kent Terrace, on 19th September. No funeral, no flowers. Service to be announced later. Donations to St John's Hospice, Grove End Road, London NW8.

MAISE - On September 18th, after a short illness, Anne Noble, wife of the late Dr. J.L.F. Maise, much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral Service September 23rd St John the Baptist, Wimbledon at 10.15 am, followed by private cremation. No flowers by request but donations, if desired, to N.S.P.C.C. or Friends of the Elderly. Enquiries to Fredk. W. Paine, tel: (081) 946-1974.

MAIR - James FRCSEd., FRCOG, died peacefully in hospital on 17th September aged 82. Much loved by his wife Carlene, daughter Jane, grandchildren Mark and Sarah and many friends. Funeral 2.pm 23rd September at Maryhill Crematorium, Glasgow. No flowers please.

MANNING - Diana Guest, Sculptor, died September 12th 1994, in France. Wife of Allen Manning, mother of Diana Perkins, Guy de la Valdene, and Lorraine Odasso. Also survived by her step-daughter Juliette, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral St. Georges, on 20th September 1994. Memorial Service Saturday September 24th 1994, 11.30 am, Church of the Advent, Old Westbury, Long Island, New York. Enquiries: N.Y (212) 708 9124.

McLELLAN - On 14th September, suddenly at Barnet General Hospital, with his daughter beside him, Reverend Archibald McLellan, aged 82 years. Much loved and missed by his family and many friends. Funeral at Islington Crematorium, High Road, East Finchley, on Friday 23rd September at 12.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Save the Children or R.S.P.C.A. c/o J.H. Keavon, 6 Woodhouse Road, London N12 ORG. tel: (081) 446-1651.

OVERTON - On September 18th 1994, suddenly, Edwin Maurice, beloved husband of the late Millicent and father of Christopher and Rosemary. Funeral Service Thursday September 22nd at 3 pm at Bournemouth Crematorium. Family flowers only but if desired donations in his memory for Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund may be sent to Dorie-Scott Portman Lodge Funeral Home, 765 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, BH7 6AN.

PAGE-BITCHIE - Kenneth, on September 15th 1994, in Sheffield. The beloved husband of Mary, father and grandfather. Family funeral. Donations, if wished, to Weston Park Hospital, Sheffield. Memorial Service in London to be announced.

PRICHARD - Mattie, widow of Caradog Prichard, died 16th September in London. The funeral service will be at The Tabernacle Welsh Congregational Church, Pentonville Road, King's Cross, London N1, on Saturday 24th September at 2.30 pm. Flowers (by 12 noon on Saturday) or alternatively donations to the London Welsh Trust, may be sent to 4 Caversham Street, 212 Eversholt Street, London NW1.

PRINCE - Lieutenant Colonel Ancketil Richard Prince passed away peacefully on 19th September 1994, at Epsom General Hospital after illness. Dearly beloved husband of the late Phyllis Prince, formerly of Anne Boleyn's Walk, Cheam, Surrey and more recently of The Oaks Nursing Home, Tadworth, Surrey. Funeral Service at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, Surrey, on Monday 26th September at 1pm. Donations, if desired, to Reynaud's & Scleroderma Association c/o W.A. Truslove & Son Limited, 18 Church Road, Epsom, Surrey. Cards will be gladly missed by all his friends.

ROSLIN-WILLIAMS - Mary. See announcement under Williams.

SANDERS - On September 16th 1994, peacefully in hospital, Hester Janet (née Wolton) aged 90, wife of the late Rev. A.H.W. Sanders, much loved and loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Service of Thanksgiving at Pitshoe Parish Church on Friday September 23rd at 12 noon followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Church of England Children's Society c/o Le Roy Funeral Service, 10 Alphington Road, Exeter.

SAVILE - On September 16th, suddenly, Alethea, dearly beloved daughter of both her father John Marlborough and Catherine Marlborough her stepmother and much loved sister of Johnny, Henrietta, Charles, Lucinda and Jamie. Funeral arrangements to be announced later.

SMITH - On September 18th 1994, peacefully in Rosslyn Nursing Home, Clitheroe, Katharine Ruth Smith, widow of Henry Landless Smith and dearly loved mother of Katharine and David and grandmother of Fiona, Nicola, James, Christopher, Michael and Philip. The funeral service will take place on Friday September 23rd at St Anne's Church, Fence at 12.30 pm, to be followed by a private family cremation. Cut flowers only please to the Chapel of Rest, 12 Whalley Road, Clitheroe, BB7 1AW. Enquiries Richard Chew Funeral Service, tel: (0200) 443045.

SPENCE - Peacefully on September 16th in Alnwick Infirmary, Charles Clibborn, of Hallstands, Ainsworth. Husband of Griselda, father of Oliver, Sarah, Tristram and Rory. Funeral at West Road Crematorium, Newcastle, on Friday 23rd September at 4 pm. No flowers please.

STEPHENSON - Peacefully on 16th September 1994, Kenneth George (Steve), at St Mary's, Ditchling Common, aged 91 years. Service at the Woodvale Crematorium, Lewes Road, Brighton, on Monday 26th September at 1.30 pm.

WALFORD - On September 16th, Hugo Brooke, aged 68 years. Husband of Alwine and father of Martin, Elizabeth and Brooke. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving at St Thomas' Church, Lymington, on Thursday September 29th at 12.30 pm. Inquiries to F.W. House & Sons, F/D, Lymington. (0590) 673142.

WILLIAMS - On September 17th 1994, Mary, aged 78, of Pear Trees, Guarlford, Malvern, formerly of Clynnog, Bedlwyn and of Monmouth. Widow of Glenton Roslin Williams and mother of James and Anne. Funeral Service at St Andrew's, Sedbergh, on Thursday September 22nd at 2.30 pm. No flowers please. Donations in lieu to Inspired Jockeys Fund, 29 Mill Lane, Welwyn, Herts., AL6 9ED.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

MILES - A service to celebrate the life and work of Dame Margaret Miles will be held on Monday 24th October (United Nations Day) at 12 noon at St James's Church, Piccadilly, London.

STANCIOFF - A Memorial Service for Marian Stancioff, will be held at the Brompton Oratory, October 6th 11 am.

THORNEYCROFT - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of The Rt Hon The Lord Thorneycroft CH will be held in St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, at noon on Wednesday 26th October 1994. Those wishing to attend should apply for tickets to: Room 26, The Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard, London, SW1P 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope. Tickets will be posted by 18th October.

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MARRIAGES

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OBITUARIES

SIR WILLIAM NIELD

Sir William Nield, GCMG, KCB, first permanent secretary at the Northern Ireland Office, died on September 13 aged 80. He was born on September 21, 1913.



BILL NIELD was at the very centre of the Whitehall citadel in the 1960s and early 1970s. During that time he served successively as a permanent secretary at the Department of Economic Affairs, within the Cabinet Office and at the Northern Ireland Office. The personality and the attitudes which he brought to his work as a public servant were greatly influenced by his experience of the Depression during his school years in Stockport, his time in the Labour Party head office and by his war service.

William Alan Nield went to Stockport Grammar School and then to Oxford where he was active in politics, played lacrosse for the university, and took a first in PPE in 1934. Throughout his life he retained a strong affection for his college, "Teddy Hall", and as president of the St Edmund Hall Association, 1981-1983, he was the driving force behind the successful appeal, exploiting the latest fundraising techniques, for expansion in north Oxford. He was tremendously proud when he was elected an honorary fellow of the college in 1989.

After Oxford, Nield joined the Labour Party's Research and Policy Department at Transport House, working on new approaches to economic policy. He visited Nazi Germany and saw Hitler's war machine. The experience convinced him of the case for rearmament and, after the war, contributed to his belief in closer European integration.

He joined the RAF as a volunteer in 1939 and was sent to Canada to train aircrew. Returning with the Royal Canadian Air Force he moved into intelligence work, was mentioned in dispatches in 1944 and worked with the Control Commission in Germany before leaving as a wing commander.

On joining the Civil Service he was assigned to the then Ministry of Food, where he was concerned with securing supplies of food during the years of shortages. In the early 1950s he was involved in managing derationing procedures and later, at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, with international trade negotiations. He also served in the Treasury and as under-secretary and deputy secretary at the newly formed Department of Economic Affairs and in the Cabinet Office.

In 1968 — in what turned out to be its dying days — he returned to the DEA as permanent secretary. He devoted himself with great energy and determination to trying to make what had been George Brown's original ministry effective once again, inevitably in the process making himself unpopular with some colleagues. But the battle with the Treasury had been lost long before he took over and the department was disbanded in 1969.

Nield returned to the Cabinet Office as permanent secretary in charge of economic affairs and, particularly, the preparation for re-opening negotiations for accession to the European Communities. After the return of the Conservative Government in June 1970 he had a central role as the senior official briefing the negotiating team headed by Sir Con O'Neill. He was responsible for the preparation of the White Paper, published in July 1971, on *The UK and the European Communities*, which set out the choice facing the country and the case for membership. His contribution to the successful negotiations was recognised with his creation as GCMG. He had been made a KCB in 1968.

In 1971 he was also involved in the crisis which arose when Rolls-Royce went into receivership. He fought with determination and skill, against faint hearts among ministers and officials, to ensure that the aero-engine business was not lost to the UK. He led the delegation that went to the United States to renegotiate the RB211 contract with Lockheed. This paved the way for the establishment of Rolls-Royce (1971) which took over and ran the aero-engine side of the business. Three years later — in what in stricter times would have seemed an improper move for a former civil servant involved in the same area — he was to join the company as deputy chairman.

In 1972, on the introduction of direct rule in Ulster, he took on another challenging job as the first permanent secretary of the Northern Ireland Office under Lord Whitelaw. In a highly charged and threatening situation they had to establish a new department of state from scratch and develop working relationships with the Northern Ireland government departments and community leaders.

In retirement he put all his energy into a large garden and woodland, pleasures he shared with his wife Gwyneth (Jim). They had met at Oxford where she was reading PPE at St Hilda's. His wife died only 20 days before him. He showed great fortitude in leaving his hospital bed to attend her funeral. Their two sons and two daughters survive him.

AMY CLAMPITT

Amy Clampitt, American poet, died in Lenox, Massachusetts, on September 10 aged 74. She was born in New Providence, Iowa, on June 15, 1920.

WHEN Amy Clampitt published her first major collection of poetry, *The Kingfisher*, in 1983, it was one of the more delayed debuts in literary history. But it proved to be a precursor to a distinguished poetic output.

Already in her early sixties, Clampitt had failed to get any of her poems published until 1974, when a collection entitled *Multitudes, Multitudes* was printed at her own expense. She might have remained in obscurity had not the publication caught the eye of Howard Moss, poetry editor of the *New Yorker*, who then began publishing her work on a regular basis.

The title of *The Kingfisher* paid homage to Gerard Manley Hopkins (by whom Clampitt was undoubtedly influenced) in its reference to his poem "As kingfishers catch fire, dragonflies draw flame". Its opening poems, limpid yet highly interpretive descriptions of the New England shoreline and its fauna, immediately gripped the imagination of reviewers. Organised around the elements of earth, fire, air and water, the collection was praised for these minutely-observed descriptions of the natural world which were the springboard for unexpected metaphysical insights and conclusions.

The Kingfisher propelled Clampitt instantly to the front rank of the American poets who were writing at that time. But although it and its successor volumes were a critical success there were always those among what might be called the lay readers of verse who found her work hard-going. *Poems dealing with* subjects as diverse as the marine life of New England, John Lennon's murder, the Holocaust and the Vietnam War, were full of chains of dependent clauses (a whole poem might consist of a single sentence) densely packed with unfamiliar words and containing copious references to classical and modern literature.

Amy Clampitt was the daughter of Ray and Pauline Clampitt and grew up on a modest 125-acre farmstead in the American Midwest. In this close-to-the-soil existence she found little, though, to inspire her poetic inclinations until she went to Grinnell College, Iowa, to study English and American literature. There she came under the influence of the work of Gerard Manley Hopkins — a poet to whom she was later to be compared, though somewhat injudiciously since her work is altogether sparer than his.

At that stage she had no ambitions to be a writer and not the faintest intimation that she might become one. After taking her degree in 1941 she won a graduate fellowship to continue her studies at Columbia University, New York. But she was already beginning to feel that an academic life was not for her. She dropped out of the course before the end of the year and went to work as a secretary at the Oxford University Press in New York. There she found she had a surprising aptitude for publishing, and rose to become promotions director for college textbooks.

In 1951 she won an essay competition whose first prize was a trip to Britain. This was to be decisive. Contact with England and its culture altered her perspective on life and on her return to the United States she left her job to write a novel. It failed to find a publisher, however, and she went to work as a reference librarian for the National Audubon Society. More novels followed but none was published. Lacking self-confidence, Clampitt began to feel herself a total misfit and retreated to her native state of Iowa.

But the arrival of the unconventional Sixties, and a ferment of ideas affecting both young and old, gave her the confidence to try again. She went back to New York, became a successful freelance editor, and joined the anti-Vietnam War movement. She also began to write poetry in earnest, but again failed to find a publisher.

It was 1978 before Howard Moss came across her self-published work of four years before, but as he said later: "I fell in love with it immediately. We were all waiting for someone like Amy to come along; someone who didn't pretend that life was simple. Right away, I knew that she was the real thing."

Her second major collection was *What the Light Was Like* (1985). This was a darker volume than *The Kingfisher*. Her brother had died in 1981 and a preoccupation with death was evident in many of the poems in the collection. The imposition, also in 1981, of martial law in Poland (she was always sensitive to external events, even those far from her immediate personal experience) also affected her deeply. The whole volume was permeated with an elegiac quality.

What the Light Was Like was followed by *Archaic Figure* (1987) and *Westward* (1990). *A Silence Opens* was published earlier this year.

Clampitt's work won her an award from the Academy of American Poets in 1982 and a MacArthur Fellowship in 1992.

She is survived by her husband, Harold L. Korn. There were no children.

VITAS GERULAITIS

Vitas Gerulaitis, international tennis player, was found dead at a friend's home on Long Island on September 18 aged 40. He was born in New York on July 26, 1954.

IF IT had not been for his penchant for cocaine and marijuana, fast cars and pretty women, Vitas Gerulaitis might have been an even better tennis player. Cocaine, which he admitted using, was no good for his tennis, he said; no good for his on-court reactions and a stumbling block to his ambitions to win Wimbledon. As it was, he rose to No 4 in the world ratings in 1984 and won 27 singles titles and nine doubles championships, earning more than £1.25 million in a top-class career that lasted ten years. With his shock of shaggy blond hair he was also the supreme glamour boy on the international tennis circuit with a lifestyle that matched up to his playboy image.

Vitas Gerulaitis's parents were immigrants from Lithuania, where his father had been a Lithuanian and Balkan states tennis champion. On arrival in the United States Gerulaitis senior worked as a coach and Vitas became his most outstanding pupil.

He emerged from the public courts of Brooklyn and Queens in the mid-1970s at a time when John McEnroe, Bjorn Borg and Jimmy Connors were at their peak. Although he was never to outshine them, he was never out of the top ten from 1977 to 1983. He had a good forehand and developed into a fast, quick-witted player with a durability and perseverance that could outlast all but the best of his opponents.

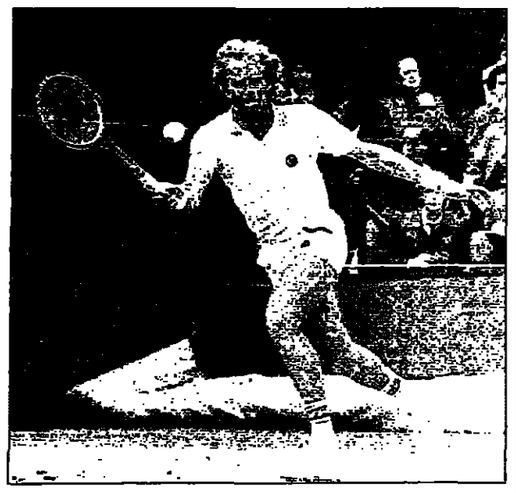
His greatest triumph was his victory over John Lloyd in the final of the 1977 Australian Open. It was the only Grand Slam title he won but he reached the finals of the 1979 US Open and the 1980 French Open.

At Wimbledon his most memorable performance was in 1977 in a semi-final against Bjorn Borg which he lost in a scintillating fifth-set tie-breaker, having overcome leg cramps in the final set. Two years earlier he had won the Wimbledon doubles title with Sandy Mayer. Another of his memorable matches was the US semi-final in 1977. After trailing by two sets and down a service break he made his greatest comeback, rallying to defeat Roscoe Tanner. He won the Italian Open twice, first in 1977 and then in 1979.

He maintained that, living the sort of life he did, experimentation with cocaine had been hard to avoid. In 1983 a federal grand jury voted against indicting him on a charge of conspiring to take part in a cocaine deal.

Two years later he gave up first-class tennis to work as a tennis commentator for CBS television.

He played his last match four days ago in Seattle on the Champions Tour, a circuit for players aged 35 and over. He was unmarried.



LIU HAI-SU

Liu Hai-su, painter and teacher of Western art techniques in China, died in Shanghai on August 6 aged 98. He was born in Jiangsu province in 1896.

WHEN Liu Hai-su founded the Shanghai Institute of Fine Art in 1912 he was only 16. This would have been extraordinary enough if he had been an artist in the traditional Chinese mould, serving his apprenticeship with an established master and devoting himself mainly to meticulous copying of accepted masterpieces. But he had been dedicated from the outset to revolutionising the practice of art in China by introducing Western techniques and styles.

He came from Jiangsu province, but settled while still a child in Shanghai, at the turn of the century the most cosmopolitan city in China. Through international trade and the international population that went with it, he first became conscious of oils as a painting medium, always regarded in China as essentially European. He mastered the medium and set out to apply it to traditional Chinese subjects, particularly landscape.

But his teaching at the institute was not confined to the mere technicalities of oil painting. It was part of a concerted programme which included the mastering of European two-point perspective and the painting of still-lifes.

Through Liu Hai-su's inspiration the first generation of Chinese artists was dispatched to Europe to learn these mysteries at source. Of course, they found the very principles they were imbibing in Shanghai were already being questioned in Paris, but it says much for Liu's teaching that the culture shock was not too great, and a whole school of Western-style painters was soon established under his aegis in China.

He himself was, in European terms, a conservative painter. His own particular speciality was landscape, and he painted Mount Huangshan (the Yellow Mountain) almost as inexhaustibly as Hokusai depicted Fuji or Cézanne the Mont Sainte-Victoire. Between the wars he made several visits to Europe, to meet Western artists, and more importantly, as an ambassador for Chinese art abroad.

After the Second World War he lived for some years in Hong Kong, working energetically to the last. He returned to Shanghai earlier this year.

He was a living link with the imperial system of Chinese education which he understood while significantly modifying it and, even though he was in terms of Chinese painting a revolutionary, he never broke his links with the great Chinese tradition: he was known also as one of the finest practitioners of that most revered of Chinese arts, calligraphy.



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THE UNION OF METHODISM

THREE CHURCHES IN ONE

By the Rev. Dr. J. Scott Lidgett

The reunion of the Wesleyan Methodist, the Primitive Methodist, and the United Methodist Churches, which is to be consummated today, is one of the most important events in the religious history of this country. Following upon the recent union of the Scottish Churches, it shows that the movement towards the eventual reunion of Christendom is taking its start from the coming together of those branches of the Universal Church which are most closely allied in doctrine and ecclesiastical polity.

The event of to-day will bring to a triumphant conclusion a preparatory work which has been going on for 19 years. It was at the Wesleyan Methodist Conference held at Plymouth in 1913 that Sir Robert Perks moved a resolution inviting a preliminary inquiry between the representatives of the three Churches in order to discover whether union was practicable, and, if so, on what basis it could be concluded. The War interrupted these conversations, but they were resumed imediately after the restoration of peace. So surprising was the measure of agreement, not merely in desire, but in regard to the terms upon which reunion might be brought about, that the conferences of the three Churches proceeded to formal negotiations which lasted until 1928 . . .

The period since has been occupied not only by working out many practical details of importance in a highly centralized Church, but in carrying on a mission of local explanation and advocacy throughout the country, which has resulted in the union being accepted with practical unanimity by all the three denominations. If it be thought by any that the time of discussion has been unduly prolonged, a sufficient answer must be that the three Churches, while each of them was governed by its annual conference, differed so much both in central and local organization that the preparation of a satisfactory scheme was necessarily a matter of difficult and sometimes anxious discussion. It included not only the constitution of the Methodist Church, but plans for the administration of the many departments by which its activities are carried on. That a scheme embodying an agreed doctrinal statement and providing for central and local government should have been adopted at last with such general consent shows that the years since the initiation of the proposal have been fruitfully spent . . .

The Methodist Church, thus reunited, will be the most numerous Free Church in the British Isles. It will have more than 5,000 ordained ministers and more than 50,000 local preachers. It will have 20,000 churches with more than 1,000,000 communicating Church members. Its Sunday school pupils will number 1,250,000 taught by 200,000 Sunday school teachers. Its adherents, of course, are much more numerous than its communicating members. When the statistics of world Methodism are taken into account, Methodism is probably the most numerous Protestant denomination in the world.

Two hundred years have passed since John and Charles Wesley and George Whitefield, with their friends, met in what came to be nicknamed the Holy Club, at Oxford. Their object in an age of widespread unbelief and spiritual torpor was to seek for themselves and their fellow-countrymen a return to primitive Christianity and a rediscovery of Apostolic experience in its assurance of the grace of God in our Lord Jesus Christ.

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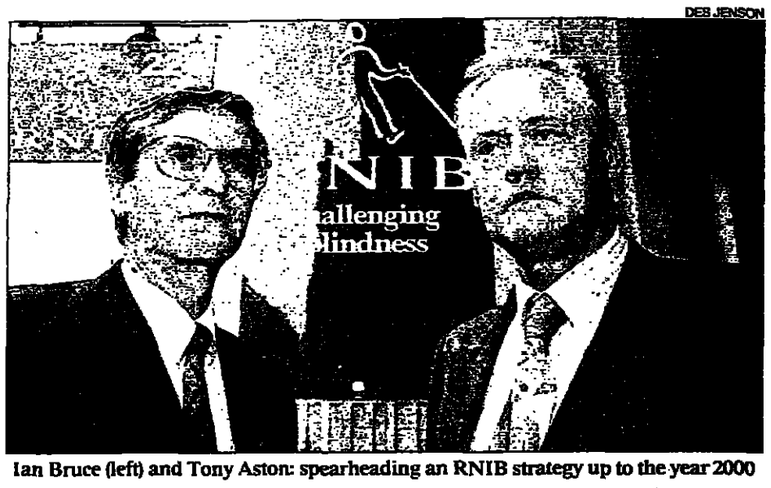
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Dr Scott Lidgett (1854-1953) was not only a leading figure in his own Church, the Wesleyan, but also in the Free Church movement. He was an advocate of ecumenism and in 1942 became a founder member of the British Council of Churches.

Setting their sights on better services

Britain's one million blind and partially sighted get a raw deal, reports Widget Finn

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Ian Bruce (left) and Tony Aston: spearheading an RNIB strategy up to the year 2000

Blind people can see nothing. They all read Braille and receive adequate training in mobility and everyday tasks. These are just some of the public's misconceptions about blind people, according to research by the RNIB (Royal National Institute for the Blind).

"Seeing It Our Way", a report based on these findings which is published today to mark the start of RNIB Week, sets the record straight on some basic facts.

"The vast majority of the public fear losing their sight more than any other sense," says Dr Ian Bruce, director-general of the RNIB. "But this fear is based on negative misconceptions about what life is like for blind or partially sighted people. The main barrier to their independence is lack of services."

Marion Westacott, who became registered blind in 1991, had to find her own way around the maze of services. "There's no communication between the statutory agencies," says Mrs Westacott, "so that the health authority which diagnoses your condition does not pass you on to the Employment Service. No-one told me that magnified vision was available for my computer — I had to find out for myself."

You have to be very determined to get information, says Mrs Westacott, but the degree of assistance also depends on where you live. Moving from Swansea to Kent, where she now runs a mainstream career consultancy, she found a marked difference in the training and help available for visually impaired people.

Despite widely held views, only 4 per cent of blind people receive rehabilitation and 5 per cent get mobility training. Being registered as blind or partially sighted is a trigger to receiving and benefitting from services, but only 250,880 people are registered, so that at least three-quarters of a million people are likely to be missing out on vital services.

The RNIB, which celebrated its 125th anniversary last year, sees one of its key roles as challenging society's attitudes. In the mid-19th century blindness was considered to be a punishment from God, and blind people were shut up in institutions or patronised by do-gooders. The RNIB was founded by Thomas Armitage, a wealthy doctor who made education, training and employment its priorities.

From the beginning the organisation promoted Braille as a means of reading and writing by touch, and the RNIB is now the largest Braille publisher in Europe. The breakthrough in technology in the past decade has improved communication for blind people through computers which are adapted to use Braille and large print.

New advances in software have made the Windows system possible for blind people using speech synthesisers, while miniaturisation has enabled the development of a belt-worn bleeping mobility aid called Walkmate.

Talking books and the talking newspaper on tape are well established, but last year the RNIB launched the UK's first daily electronic newspaper for blind people. Subscribers can now "read" the text of a daily newspaper in Braille or speech after it has been broadcast overnight by teletext on to a personal computer.

The RNIB's involvement in education includes running schools and an FE college for children with disabilities, as well as helping visually impaired children in mainstream education. The organisation has pioneered the use of CD-Rom in schools, which will enable a visually impaired child to access a vast amount of information through a personal computer.

The Employment Network helps visually impaired people to get and keep jobs, advises employers and helps people to set up small businesses. The RNIB also teaches skills essential for work and daily living at its centres.

The RNIB has set out a strategy for its work up to the year 2000. The prevention and amelioration of visual impairment is an important part of the strategy, says Tony Aston, director of community services, and an eyecare campaign will be launched in 1995 focused mainly on elderly people who are most at risk. The RNIB also plans to put more pressure on the Government to improve NHS treatment for people with low vision.

The RNIB operates 60 services from 44 different sites, but there is still a need to make them more widely available, according to Mr Aston, and to influence the quality of provision for visually impaired people in residential care, as well as for those who want to remain independent.

"By making the general public aware of the barriers which exist for the one million blind and partially sighted people in the UK," says Mr Aston, "we want to encourage improved services which will help them to lead full and active lives."

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Computer technology has boosted a simple Victorian reading system

Readers take to the Moon

An invention by a blind doctor in 1847 is helping ten-year-old Donna Wells and her friends to read, *Widget Finn writes.* "Moon" — named after its inventor, William Moon, whose centenary is being celebrated this year — is a simple raised-line version of the alphabet, suitable for children and adults who have poor tactile or learning abilities.

Donna is a pupil at the RNIB Rushton Hall school in Northamptonshire, a junior school for children who are visually impaired and also have a wide range of additional disabilities affecting mobility, hearing, speech or behaviour.

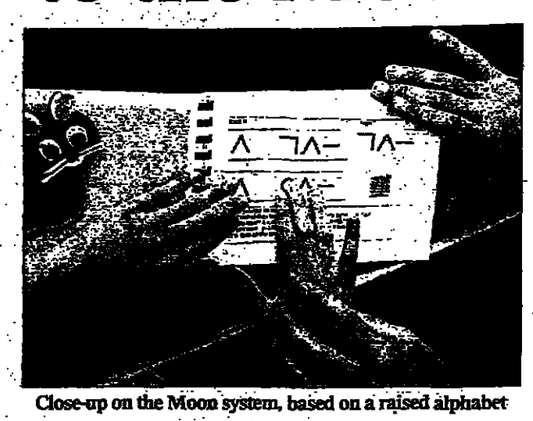
Donna, who is blind with learning difficulties, began working with Moon a year ago. It is a long process, explains her teacher Steve Warren, but she can now recognise her own name and short familiar words, encouraged by hearing the computer play her favourite tune when she succeeds. The Moon system, says Mr Warren, gives children like Donna their only *chance of acquiring a degree* of literacy.

Moon is almost unchanged since its invention. Yet despite its simplicity, the system is used by only 1,000 people in the UK. Its disadvantages — the difficulty of printing, the bulk of even a small publication, and the lack of an easy method of writing — meant that Moon lost out to Braille as a universal reading method for blind people.

But 100 years after William Moon's death, his invention is beginning to be more widely used. New developments in electronics make printing Moon symbols on a dot matrix system viable, while plastic film held over a simple grid provides a means — albeit a rather primitive one — to write Moon.

A project called "Moon as a route to literacy" was set up in 1992 by the RNIB and Birmingham University in response to the increasing need for a simple system of reading and writing for blind people.

During the past decade there has been a sharp increase in the number of children entering the educational system with a visual impairment and additional learning difficulties, explains Mike McLinden, who has led the project.



Close-up on the Moon system, based on a raised alphabet

"Many of these children lack the tactile sensitivity or the co-ordination to read Braille," *Mr McLinden says.* "Moon was a viable alternative, but there were virtually no appropriate teaching materials which could be used in schools.

"As part of the project we developed a variety of resources, currently being piloted by 16 schools, including a reading scheme for younger children based on the adventures of two Mooncats."

The anniversary of William Moon's death is being marked by the RNIB — the world's largest producer of Moon — by a conference for teachers of the Moon system. An exhibition on the history of Moon — including a letter in Moon from George VI to troops during the Second World War — will be mounted at the RNIB centres at Peterborough and London.

Moon's main use is for older, newly blind people who find Braille too difficult to feel or learn, or who want to master a method more like ordinary writing.

Edna Stroud became blind eight years ago, at the age of 75. A lifelong book-lover, she was determined to find a method of reading, but her fingers were no longer sensitive enough to respond to the dots of Braille. Then a friend suggested she should try Moon, which she learnt in six half-hour lessons.

Mrs Stroud, whose biography of William Moon, *Blind Faith*, was published in 1992, found a good choice of books and magazines available in Moon, and has even read the Bible "in bits" — the original Moon version ran to 58 volumes. "Moon is so easy to learn that it deserves to be better known," says Mrs Stroud.

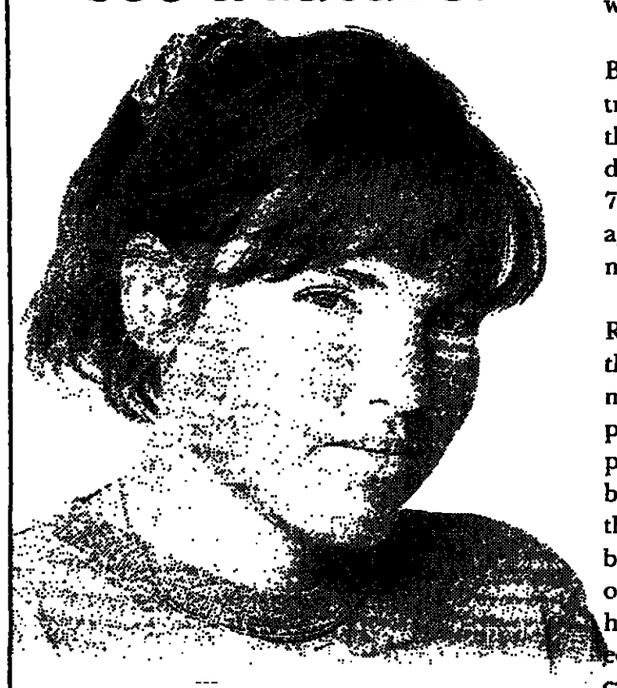
● *Details: Moon Exhibition at RNIB Peterborough, September 19-21, then RNIB London, October 10. Teachers' Conference, RNIB London, September 24 (071-388 1266). Blind Faith by Edna Stroud is published by Sessions of York, price £5. RNIB Rushton Hall School, 0536 710506.*

ROBIN MAYES



Steve Warren teaching Donna Wells — success is acknowledged by a favourite tune

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Despite being almost totally blind, Nicola has qualified as a remedial therapist. She is typical of many blind and partially sighted people in Britain today – people with abilities, who have a lot to offer, at work and in the community.

Blind people don't ask for special treatment – just the chance to lead their own lives. Yet so often they don't get that chance. For example, 7 out of 10 blind people of working age cannot get a job, and thousands miss out on the services they need.

RNIB is working to overcome the prejudices and misunderstandings which many people still have about blind people. We are campaigning to give blind and partially sighted people the *right* to accessible information in braille or large print or on tape. We offer education and training, and help to provide aids and equipment, so that blind people can live and work independently.

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NEWS

American troops land in Haiti

■ United States troops landed in Haiti without resistance to begin their mission to restore democracy to the impoverished Caribbean nation.

The first soldiers to land stepped carefully from helicopters, clutching automatic rifles. They were followed by General Hugh Shelton, field commander for the Haiti operation, whose first task was to meet Lieutenant General Raoul Cédras, leader of the military junta. Up to 15,000 troops will be installed in Haiti in the coming days ..... **Pages 1, 14**

New talks to end rail dispute

■ *Fresh talks on the rail signal workers' dispute* will take place today. It seems likely that a settlement will be reached and that fresh rail strikes set for Thursday and Friday next week, plus a London Underground stoppage, will be averted .....**Page 1**

Boon predicted

John Major believes that Britain stands poised at the threshold of "an economic recovery unlike any we have seen since the Second World War" .....**Page 2**

Tennis star dies

Vitas Gerulaitis, the American tennis star, has been found dead in the exclusive American resort of Southampton on Long Island. He was 40 .....**Page 3**

Saunders storm

The Government faced blistering attacks from all sides over its City regulatory system in the wake of the landmark European Commission ruling that Ernest *Saunders, former Guinness chief,* was denied a fair trial .....**Page 4**

Smoking study

Smoking in Britain has stopped falling and shows no sign of renewing its decline. Cancer scientists predict that a million of today's under-age smokers will die in middle age .....**Page 6**

Scotland invaded

For the first time in decades, the populations of the Western Isles, Orkney and the Shetlands have begun to grow: the English have invaded .....**Page 7**

A thief's delight

Tests show that some of the best-selling cars in Britain can be broken into within seconds, despite the presence of high-technology locks and alarm systems..**Page 8**

Lib Dem tax plans

Income tax for up to six million low-paid workers could be cut to 10p in the pound, Liberal Democrat leaders told their conference as they performed a belated U-turn on policy..... **Pages 1, 9**

Bosnian air threat

The UN commander in Bosnia has threatened both Serb and Muslim forces with airstrikes after the worst fighting in Sarajevo since February .....**Page 10**

Boost for Kohl

Helmut Kohl has been given an electoral boost with figures and forecasts suggesting that the German economy is set to make a *strong recovery* .....**Page 11**

Swedish dilemma

Sweden's Social Democrats seem likely to form a minority government, but financial markets already fear they will be unable to introduce much-needed austerity measures .....**Page 11**

Saudis to privatise

Saudi Arabia has asked for Britain's help in privatising large sections of its economy. It has given strong assurances that British firms will remain key suppliers of military goods .....**Page 15**

Syrian peace mission

The United States begins a new peace mission between Syria and Israel today amid disclosures that the two sides have been having secret contacts .....**Page 15**

Scout leader claims unfair dismissal

■ A Scout leader sacked from his post after a quarrel with senior officers has taken his case before an industrial tribunal, claiming unfair dismissal. The case — thought to be the first to involve the Scouting movement — will test whether unpaid volunteers are protected by employment laws or fall beyond their scope .....**Page 4**

TONY WHITE



Mathew Taylor, Liberal Democrat MP, centre, testing Brighton's water with two "Surfers Against Sewage". Conference reports, Page 9

BUSINESS

Heron offer: A group of businessmen, led by industrialist Steven Green, has proposed a £142 million bid for up to 51 per cent of Heron International .....**Page 25**

GrandMet sale: Grand Metropolitan is selling its American pet food business to Nestlé for $510 million and restructuring its worldwide drinks business and European food operations at a cost of £280 million .....**Page 25**

Markets: Shares in London made a firm start with the FT-SE 100 index rising 14.0 to 3,079.1. The pound fell 1.53 cents to $1.5682, but edged up to DM2.4354.....**Page 28**

SPORT

Football: Manchester United may be in trouble fielding a weakened team in the Coca-Cola Cup. They have seven reserve players on call for the tie at Port Vale ..... **Page 48**

Motor-racing: Damon Hill will drive for the Williams Renault team again next year. It will not be revealed until the end of the season whether Nigel Mansell is to join him.....**Page 48**

Cricket: The first-class season trickled to a watery close, with rain allowing only 14 overs to be bowled in the nine Britannic Assurance county championship matches yesterday .....**Page 48**

Voodoo Island: Graham Greene said it was "impossible to deepen the night" of Papa Doc Duvalier's reign of terror in Haiti. Ian Thomson meets Gerard Corley Smith, the last British ambassador to the Caribbean country.....**Page 16**

A cut above: The first of four articles by Walter Ellis on individuals involved in Northern Ireland's Troubles.....**Page 16**

Brainwaves: Founded 50 years ago, a wartime unit has become internationally renowned for its discoveries about the human mind.**Page 17**

TOP WRITERS IN THE TIMES TODAY



Simon Jenkins, distinguished journalist, author — and leading columnist in *The Times*



Lynne Truss, reviewer, discusses the return of ITV's *Soldier, Soldier* on the television page



Alan Coren, humourist, views the world this week from the wilder shores of Cricklewood



Brenda Maddox, columnist, on why she has changed her mind about the Welsh-language channel

Venetian splendour: As the Royal Academy opens its blockbuster show of Venetian art, Richard Cork explains why the economic and political dissolution of the republic was accompanied by a burst of cultural brilliance .....**Page 39**

Singers celebrate: The world premiere of a new work by Xenakis was the highlight of a concert celebrating the seventieth anniversary of the BBC Singers .....**Page 39**

Castanet time: Sadler's Wells Theatre resounds to guitars, castanets and the stamping of feet as Cumbre Flamenco opens its season**Page 40**

Speed king: Blasting through 27 songs in 90 frantic minutes at the Shepherds Bush Empire, Frank Black — formerly of the Pixies — left the impression of a gifted singer-songwriter in a perpetual hurry.....**Page 40**

Toronto variety show: From Albert Finney as a bus conductor to highbrow erotica from Taiwan, the Toronto Film Festival has something for everyone.....**Page 41**

New Berkoff: Two new plays by Steven Berkoff — one rejoicing in the characteristic title *Brighton Beach Scumbags* — offer bracing fare to the resolute theatregoer at the Riverside Studios. Also reviewed today is *the Provoked Wife*, the first production by the new Touring Partnership, which aims to take top-class casts round the major regional theatres of Britain.....**Page 41**

The pioneering work of the Royal Hospital in Putney on severely brain-damaged patients is featured in *Network First: Waking From a Coma* (ITV, 10.40pm, Scottish 11.45pm) .**Page 47, Radio, Page 46**

Clinton, Carter, Cedras

Former President Jimmy Carter has fashioned for American troops an altogether more auspicious *entrée* to Haiti than President Clinton could have hoped for.....**Page 19**

Truth and its enemies

Karl Popper, whose death marks an epoch in philosophy, was a self-taught man whose confidence would have sustained him anywhere.....**Page 19**

'Croatian and Muslim'

Just as we considered Peter Howson's painting wrong for publication in *The Times*, it may not be right for the Imperial War Museum.....**Page 19**

BERNARD LEVIN

What is it that the Swiss have made, and which no one else has made though very many have tried: something so splendid, so magnificent, so wonderful, so gorgeous and beautiful that it ought to be greeted with hymns whenever it *is seen?*.....**Page 18**

WOODROW WYATT

Ulster's wish to continue the Union is hardly surprising. The standard of living in the North is substantially higher than in the South**Page 18**

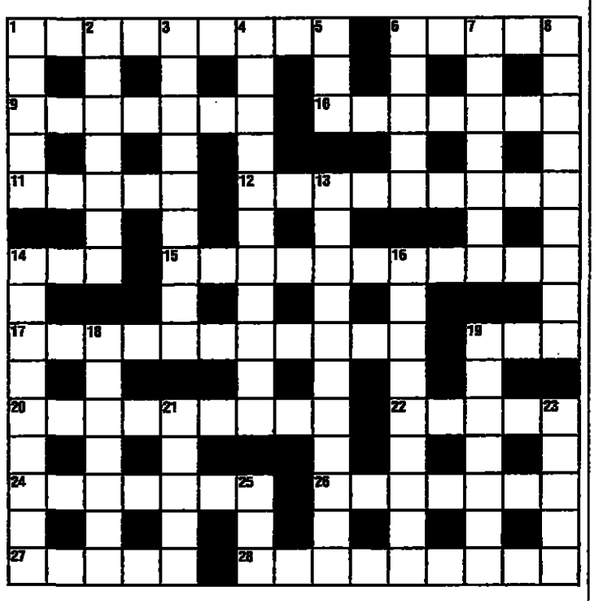
Sir William Nield, first permanent secretary at the Northern Ireland Office; **Vitas Gerulaitis,** tennis player; **Liu Hai-su,** Chinese painter; **Amy Clampitt,** American poet .....**Page 2**

Cost of housing.....**Page 19**

It must be pointed out that the deal reached by the trio of US negotiators with the Haitian junta is fraught with uncertainty and risk.
— Los Angeles Times

The German government, unlike the one in Washington, cannot even entertain the thought of not spending much time on foreign affairs *— Wall Street Journal*

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,652



ACROSS

1 One getting down in reckless leaps from line of cliffs in America (9).
6 Amatory aliment ordered for Orsino's starter (5).
9 Helping poor relations (7).
10 Expire in gasp, hanging (7).
11 Tail of beetle thin and black (5).
12 Modern bondsmaid with it, we hear (9).
14 Wear a flower (3).
15 Poor reviewer of "Circe" — artist put out (11).
17 Fire prevention device? (6-5).
19 Low-flying wiseacre (3).
20 Dread her coming back in annex (9).
22 Joey by the way needs a place to settle (5).
24 I am one philanthropist to follow (7).
26 Ringed sea-mew in flight is amazing (7).
27 Brute put back grass-circles (5).
28 Typing unit's work a major achievement (9).

DOWN

1 Chaplain's daughter in trim clothing (5).
2 Rent during university vacation is a disappointment (3-4).
3 Single-decker seen sailing down the Strand, say (4-5).
4 Garbo seen in front gallery (5-6).
5 Weak person's bribe (3).
6 Unexpected gift, say, of a landed estate (5).
7 Rattles shaken for promising young actress (7).
8 See scene of the crime in Eliot's play (9).
13 Madam Butterfly (7,4).
14 Girl's on equal terms, getting distinction (9).
16 Hateful, hot barren resort (9).
18 Dressy, female work? Rubbish! (7).
19 Sherry not opened, sadly, in the bar (7).
21 Source of inspiration for central operators (5).
23 Note to include border topic (5).
25 Naval rating in a thousand following the queen (3).

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HIGHEST & LOWEST

Sunday: Highest day temp: Jersey 17C (63F); lowest day max: Loch Glascarnoch, Highland, 9C (48F); highest rainfall: Tiree, Hebrides, 0.55in, highest sunshine: Margate, Kent, 8.9hr.

FORECAST

☐ **General:** most of England and Wales will be rather cloudy with showers. Eastern areas could see some more persistent rain.

South Wales and the Midlands, where there will be shelter from the brisk northwest wind, are likely to see some brighter spells.

Scotland and Northern Ireland will also be mostly cloudy with some showers but in the west these should become lighter and less frequent later in the day. It will be windy on exposed coasts and hills.

In all areas it will feel quite cold.

☐ **London, SE England, E Anglia, E England, Central N, NE England:** cloudy with outbreaks of rain. Wind northwest, moderate to fresh. Cold. Max 14C (57F)

☐ **Central S England, Midlands, S Wales:** bright spells and showers. Wind northwest, moderate. Cool. Max 15C (59F).

☐ **Channel Isles, SW England, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man:** rather cloudy with showers. Wind northwest, fresh. Chilly. Max 15C (59F).

☐ **Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen:** cloudy with a few showers. Wind north to northwest, moderate. Rather cold. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland:** bright spells. Showers tending to die out later. Wind northwest, fresh. Chilly. Max 15C (59F).

☐ **Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:** showers, mostly dying out later. Some bright spells developing. Wind north to northwest, mainly fresh. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **Outlook for Wednesday and Thursday:** remaining cool and unsettled with showers and brighter spells in most areas.

AROUND BRITAIN

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright; ds=dust storm

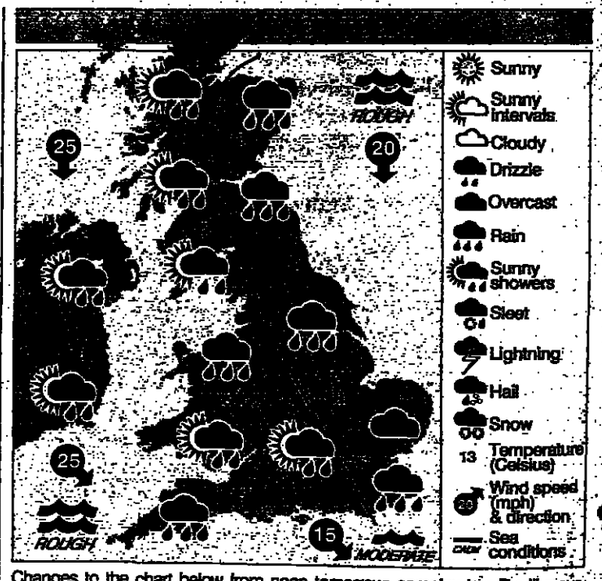
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Aberdeen	1.0	-	13	55	c	Liverpool	1.2	-	13	55	c
Anglesey	-	-	13	55	c	London	0.8	-	13	55	c
Aspatria	2.7	-	13	55	c	Lowestoft	2.2	-	14	57	c
Aviemore	1.7	-	11	52	c	Manchester	0.3	-	13	55	c
Belfast	2.0	0.22	12	54	r	Margate	8.8	-	15	59	s
Birmingham	0.2	-	13	55	c	Minehead	0.7	-	15	59	c
Bognor R	3.4	-	15	59	c	Morecambe	0.3	-	13	55	du
Bournem'th	4.3	-	15	59	b	Newcastle	1.4	-	14	57	c
Bristol	4.4	-	15	59	s	Newquay	-	0.01	15	59	c
Buxton	0.7	-	11	52	c	Norwich	3.0	0.15	14	57	sh
Cardiff	0.8	-	13	55	c	Nottingham	X				
Clacton	6.1	-	15	59	b	Oxford	0.3	-	13	55	c
Cleethorpes	0.4	-	14	57	c	Penzance	3.5	0.18	14	57	sh
Colwyn Bay	0.4	-	14	57	c	Plymouth	0.1	-	14	57	c
Cromer	X					Poole	8.7	-	15	59	b
Doncaster	1.7	-	15	59	c	Prestatyn	X		14	57	c
Dunbar	2.3	-	13	55	b	Ross-o-wye	3.2	-	15	59	c
Eastbourne	6.0	-	14	57	s	Ryde	2.5	0.30	15	59	b
Edinburgh	0.4	-	14	57	c	Salcombe	1.1	-	15	59	c
Eskdalemuir	1.3	-	12	54	c	Sandown	2.9	-	14	57	b
Exmouth	0.7	-	13	55	du	Seurin Snd	0.5	-	16	61	c
Falmouth	X		15	59	c	Scarboro'	0.8	-	12	54	c
Fishguard	0.2	0.02	13	55	c	Scilly Isles	4.3	0.02	15	59	c
Folkestone	6.2	-	16	61	b	Shanklin	7.0	-	13	55	b
Glasgow	1.7	-	12	54	c	Shrewsbury	3.0	-	16	61	c
Guernsey	2.2	-	16	61	c	Southend	7.5	-	15	59	b
Hastings	5.6	-	16	61	s	Southport	1.3	-	13	55	c
Hayling I.	3.3	-	15	59	c	Southsea	2.7	-	14	57	c
Herne Bay	7.5	-	15	59	b	Stornoway	1.3	0.04	10	50	r
Hove	2.3	-	14	57	c	Swanage	5.3	-	15	59	s
Hunstanton	5.2	-	14	57	b	Teignmouth	0.6	-	14	57	c
Isle of Man	0.3	-	14	57	c	Tenby	0.7	-	15	59	c
Jersey	7.9	-	17	63	s	Tiree	0.7	0.50	12	54	r
Kinloss	0.1	-	11	52	c	Torquay	0.4	-	14	57	c
Leeds	X					Tynemouth	2.1	-	12	54	c
Lerwick	0.1	-	10	50	c	Ventnor	4.0	-	14	57	b
Lauchars	2.0	-	13	55	c	Weymouth	5.4	-	15	59	s
Littlehmptn	1.7	-	15	59	c						

These are Sunday's figures

Ajaccio	22	72	f	Corfu	25	77	f	Majorca	22	72	f
Akrotiri	29	84	s	Dublin	13	55	c	Malaga	23	73	s
Alex'dria	28	82	s	Dubrownik	22	72	c	Malta	23	73	f
Algiers	25	77	f	Faro	26	79	s	Melb'rne	7	45	r
Amst'dm	16	61	f	Florence	15	59	f	Mexico C	18	64	f
Athens	32	90	s	Frankfurt	14	57	c	Miami	32	90	s
Bahrain	34	93	s	Funchal	25	77	s	Milan	19	66	s
Bangkok	31	88	f	Geneva	14	57	s	Montreal	14	57	f
Barbados	27	81	r	Gibraltar	20	68	s	Moscow	17	63	c
Barcelona	20	68	s	Helsinki	10	50	c	Munich	12	54	c
Beirut	29	84	f	Hong K	28	82	s	Nairobi	26	79	f
Belgrade	18	61	f	Innsbruck	11	52	f	Naples	18	64	c
Berlin	12	54	c	Istanbul	26	82	f	N Delhi	31	88	s
Bermuda	28	82	f	Jeddah	38	97	s	N York	21	70	f
Biarritz	18	64	s	Jo'burg	23	73	c	Nice	21	70	s
Borde'x	17	63	f	Karachi	31	88	f	Oslo	12	54	f
Brussels	12	54	c	L Palmas	25	77	s	Paris	14	57	f
Budapst	16	61	s	Le Tquet	11	52	f	Peking	25	77	s
B Aires	27	81	f	Lisbon	26	79	s	Perth	21	70	s
Cairo	33	91	s	Locarno	18	64	s	Prague	12	54	c
Cape Tn	19	66	s	L Angels	22	72	f	Reykjavik	8	46	c
Chicago	24	75	s	Luxembg	10	50	r	Rhodes	32	90	s
Cologne	14	57	f	Luxor	38	10	s	Rio de J	21	70	f
C'phgn	14	57	f	Madrid	22	72	s	Riyadh	39	10	s

Rome	18	64	f	Salzburg	11	52	c	S Frisco	18	64	f
Santiago	21	70	f	S Paulo	23	73	c	Seoul	26	79	s
Stckholm	11	52	c	Strasb'rg	15	59	c	Sydney	17	63	s
Tangier	26	79	s	Tel Aviv	31	88	s	Tenerife	27	81	s
Tokyo	25	77	f	Tunis	24	75	f	Valencia	24	75	s
Veng'ver	16	61	s	Venice	17	63	s	Vienna	15	59	s
Warsaw	16	61	f	Wash'ton	24	76	f	Zurich	12	54	f

Temperatures at midday local time. X = not available



Changes to the chart below from noon tomorrow: complex low D will move southeastwards with little change in central pressure. High A will remain stationary but will decline slightly. Low S will move quickly east.



TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	1.48	7.3	1.52	7.1	Liverpool	11.22	9.1	11.34	9.4
Aberdeen	1.07	4.3	1.38	4.2	Lowestoft	9.21	2.6	10.01	2.4
Avonmouth	7.18	13.2	7.35	13.5	Margate	12.13	4.8	12.59	5.0
Belfast	11.11	3.3	11.23	3.5	Milford Haven	6.16	6.9	6.32	7.1
Cardiff	7.08	12.16	7.24	12.36	Newquay	5.58	6.9	6.04	7.1
Devonport	5.14	5.3	5.27	5.5	Oban	5.43	3.9	6.0	4.1
Dover	11.20	6.6	11.41	6.6	Penzance	4.45	5.4	4.58	5.6
Falmouth	5.19	5.1	5.33	5.3	Portland	6.54	2.1	7.08	2.2
Glasgow	12.58	4.9	1.19	4.7	Portsmouth	11.34	4.5	11.44	4.7
Harwich	11.57	4.0	-	-	Holyhead	10.29	5.4	10.37	5.7
Hull	8.13	7.57	8.44	7.25	Shoreham	11.37	6.4	11.52	6.6
Ilfracombe	6.02	9.17	6.18	9.40	Southampton	10.55	4.5	11.08	4.4
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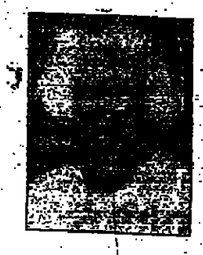
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Ronson to stay on in Heron bid plan

BY GRAHAM SEARJEANT, FINANCIAL EDITOR

GERALD RONSON, the controversial entrepreneur who created the Heron group, is likely to remain at the centre of its affairs if a £142 million cash or shares offer to the indebted property group's bond and shareholders is accepted.

The offer for Heron International is to be mounted by HNV Acquisition, a Cayman-based vehicle for a consortium of wealthy investors headed by American financier Steven Green, a specialist in company turnrounds who heads the Samsonite luggage business as well as a property company. Heron's board recommends it as fair and reasonable and has issued a warning that the "highly probable" alternative is receivership or bankruptcy for some or all of the Heron companies.

HNVA, advised by Swiss Bank Corporation, plans to keep Heron operating as a European property developer and investor rather than simply to sell its assets, which are mainly in Britain, Spain and France. The HNVA board would be led by Mr Green and by Steven Fink, its finance director and former head of an American glass firm. It will offer executive directorships to Mr Ronson, who was kept on as Heron's chief executive by the banks, and to Alan Goldman, his deputy.

Negotiations with HNVA have been going on since it was declared the preferred bidder in June, following the swift collapse of Heron's 1993 financial restructuring when it could not pay interest to bondholders. The restructuring had left banks and bondholders controlling all but 5 per cent of Heron after they exchanged their debts for a combination of new senior debt, junior debt and equity. The HNVA cash options offers senior debt holders 45p in the pound, junior debt 6p, and 0.75p per share. It would crystallise losses to bondholders and 80 banks, led by Barclays, of about £1 billion of their original £1.2 billion debt.

The HNVA offer is conditional on waivers of conditions by a further group of bankers to Heron's British and Spanish subsidiaries, and that they promise not to call in their money. This is the only likely stumbling block. The refusal by these banks to allow money from disposals to pass through to the parent company precipitated the failure of the restructuring.

Gary Klesch, of Klesch & Co, one of the aggrieved bondholders, said HNVA's offer was disappointing and that receivership was "not a bad alternative when values are this low". The offer requires 75 per cent backing in votes to be cast at bondholders' meetings.

Bond and equity holders could be entitled to about 90 per cent of the new company if all opted for shares but would be scaled down to ensure that the consortium retained 51 per cent control. The 5 per cent of Heron retained under the 1993 restructuring by Mr Ronson, his foundation and family trusts, would become virtually worthless. But the new board plans incentive schemes for executive directors.

The HNVA consortium brings together limited partnerships backed by a series of wealthy US-based families, including that of Rupert Murdoch, chairman of News International, which owns *The Times*, Craig McCaw, founder of the eponymous cellular communications company and members of the family of Michael Milken, the disgraced former junk bond king.

By writing down debt and substituting equity shares, the deal would transform the balance sheet of Heron International, leaving it with net assets of about £200 million. That compares with a deficit of £172 million after a further net loss of £92 million for the year to end March, mainly from interest and exchange losses on foreign properties. Remaining debt would fall from £535 million to about £200 million. HNVA hopes to win a London stock market listing "at an appropriate stage".

The group inherited by HNVA would, however, be a pale shadow of that of the late-1980s, when it was one of Britain's largest and most profitable private corporations. The collapse of a savings and loan investment in America, compounded by sharp falls in property markets, were already threatening the group when Mr Ronson was jailed in 1990 for his part in the Guinness affair.

Following his release after six months, Heron fought the advancing threat of insolvency through a series of disposals. These included the chain of petrol stations which Mr Ronson had pioneered, the Suzuki Motors franchise, housebuilding and distribution businesses, leaving only a few luxury car dealerships apart from property. Disposals of property were bigger but ran into problems when the Spanish market fell drastically just as the refinancing, which cost £36 million in fees, was being put together.



Gerald Ronson, pictured with his wife Gail, will be offered an executive directorship if the HNVA offer is accepted

Halifax raises loan rate to 8.1%

BY ROBERT MILLER AND JANET BUSH

HALIFAX, Britain's largest mortgage lender, at 1.8 million borrowers, yesterday announced an increase in its mortgage rate to 8.1 per cent from 7.64 per cent. The average £50,000 Halifax repayment mortgage will cost almost £13 a month more.

The move by Halifax, which will now be followed by most mortgage lenders, was sparked by last week's half of a percentage point rise in the base rate to 5.75 per cent.

Mike Blackburn, chief executive, said higher rates for the Halifax's 12 million savers will follow "in due course". Barclays Bank matched the Halifax by raising its rate to 8.1 per cent.

But there was good news for savers, who outnumber mortgage borrowers in the UK by five-to-one. National Savings said it will introduce new issues of its fixed-interest products from today. The 42nd issue of National Savings Certificates will offer a guaranteed tax-free return of 5.85 per cent a year, if held for five years. The Series 2 of Pensioners' Guaranteed Income bonds now offer a gross return of 7.5 per cent a year guaranteed for five years.

☐ The fragility of consumer confidence in the economy was underlined yesterday by the latest Gallup poll, showing confidence turned lower again in September even before the base rate rose.

The poll, conducted between September 1 and 12, with base rates being raised on the last day and thus too late to affect it, dashed the Government's hope that consumers were regaining composure after the recession.

Those expecting the economy to worsen in the next year outnumbered those expecting it to improve by 3 per cent. In August, optimists outnumbered pessimists by 1 per cent.

BUSINESS TODAY

STOCK MARKET INDICES

FT-SE 100	3079.1	(+14.0)
Yield	4.10%	
FT-SE A All share	1543.64	(+3.93)
Nikkei	19554.11	(-242.15)
New York:		
Dow Jones	3948.16	(+14.81)*
S&P Composite	472.64	(+1.65)*

US RATE

Federal Funds	4 11/16%*	(4¾%)
Long Bond	96 19/32*	(96 25/32)
Yield	7.77%*	(7.76%)

LONDON MONEY

3-mth Interbank	5¾%	(5 7/16%)
Life long gilt future (Sep)	99	(99)

STERLING

New York:		
$	1.5667*	(1.5790)
London:		
$	1.5665	(1.5837)
DM	2.4312	(2.4305)
FFr	8.3110	(8.3060)
SFr	2.0202	(2.0137)
Yen	154.58	(156.36)
£ Index	79.6	(79.8)

DOLLAR

London:		
DM	1.5521*	(1.5445)
FFr	5.3045*	(5.2810)
SFr	1.2880*	(1.2820)
Yen	98.61*	(98.95)
$ Index	62.3	(62.0)

Tokyo close Yen 98.64

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent 15-day (Nov) $15.90 ($15.80)

GOLD

London close $390.65 ($390.65)

* denotes midday trading price

Tunnel access

Eurotunnel will open its "Overture" car-carrying passenger shuttle service for shareholders and opinion-formers on October 3, but other customers will still have to wait at least several weeks to go under the Channel Page 29

Tighter training

The National Training Council for Vocational Qualifications has ordered a 30-man hit-squad into action to try to ensure that even standards are maintained and that sharp business practices are ended Page 26

Low-wage builders targeted

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

BRITISH building workers may be prevented from undercutting German construction workers if Chancellor Kohl's plan to use his country's presidency of the European Union to prevent foreigners from working for low wages on German sites succeeds.

There are about 60,000 British building workers currently employed on German construction sites, according to Werner Köhler, chief spokesman for IG BSE, the German construction workers' union.

The pledge to the German cabinet follows heavy lobbying by IG BSE and the national association for self-employed craftsmen for Bonn to stop cut-price British and Portuguese workers from "distorting" Germany's post-unification construction market.

German workers' pay and social costs average DM60-65 an hour, against DM45 for British labour. Germany, like Britian, has no minumum wage rules. Both have blocked EU rules on pay and employment practices in the industry.

Thousands to lose jobs in GrandMet shake-up

BY NEIL BENNETT, DEPUTY BUSINESS EDITOR

GRAND Metropolitan, the food and drinks group, is shedding an estimated 4,000 jobs worldwide in a £280 million reorganisation of its spirits division and its European food business. Meanwhile, it is selling Alpo, the US pet food manufacturer to Nestlé for $510 million.

The group said the reorganisation, which will involve the closure of several distilleries, will save £90 million a year when completed, money it plans to spend marketing its brands, such as Smirnoff vodka and Häagen Dazs ice cream. It did not say how many closures the reorganisation would entail but did not deny estimates of 4,000.

The £280 million provision will be included in the group's figures for the year to September 30. About half the provision will be used within IDV, the spirits division. Of the remainder, £55 million relates to the European food businesses and £32 million for a reorganisation at Burger King. Property write-offs and disposals will soak up another £28 million and a cost-cutting programme at head office £20 million.

The latest provision comes only a year after the group set aside £175 million to cover a reorganisation in the US food businesses. Gerald Corbett, finance director, said the new initiative took care of the rest of the group's businesses. "We have now covered the portfolio and we are clean cut for the second half of the 1990s. We move forward into next year with everything buttoned down and in place."

The reorganisation will cost about £160 million, although the expense will be offset by about £60 million of property disposals. The rest of the provision will be used in asset write-offs. The damage that the provision will do to GrandMet's profits this year will be lessened by a £200 million profit the group made on the sale of Alpo yesterday. It bought Alpo in 1980 from Liggett, but the business has not suited GrandMet since it is only the seventh largest food business in the US with a 6 per cent market share. GrandMet aims at owning the largest or second largest food business in every area in which it competes.



Lord Sheppard: new focus

Lord Sheppard, chairman, said the disposal was part of GrandMet's move from being a multifaceted conglomerate to a highly focused food and drinks business. Along with news of the disposal George Bull, GrandMet's chief executive said that the group's trading was strong and it expected to show an improvement in profits before exceptionals in the year to September 30. He warned that profits at IDV would be lower due to US destocking and "uneven trading" in Spain and Germany.

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Deposed directors fight back

BY SARAH BAGNALL
INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

MORE than 100 Lloyd's professionals are joining forces to take their own legal action having been thrown off the main names' action groups.

This comes after moves by several leading action groups to expel directors of Lloyd's agencies who are suing their own companies because of fears they may jeopardise names' chances of recovering millions of pounds through the courts.

As a result, the directors were excluded from sharing in any awards made by the courts. David Tiplady, a partner at DJ Freeman, the law firm, said: "These people are not taking this lying down. They are fighting back."

The first band to make this move is likely to comprise 70 directors thrown off the Gooda Walker Action Group.

☐ *Standard & Poor's*, the US rating agency, said that one in four surviving Lloyd's syndicates was below average financial strength. Of the 159 syndicates ranked in terms of financial stability, five were given the highest-risk rating of one crown, denoting "weak" financial characteristics. A further 35 syndicates were deemed "below average".

MAI's 10% advance fails to satisfy City

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

LORD Hollick, managing director of MAI, whose £292 million takeover bid for Anglia Television is at the centre of the furore over Lord Archer's share dealings, yesterday disappointed the City with a 10 per cent rise in profits.

The media-to-finance group's pre-tax profits rose to £87.9 million, from £80.2 million, in the year to June 30, at the bottom end of analysts' expectations. Earnings were hit by an unexpectedly large write-off relating to disposal of Safeguard Insurance Services.

Anglia Television, acquired in March, contributed £5 million at pre-tax level. Lord Hollick said that integration of the business with Meridian Broadcasting, the ITV franchise holder for the south and south east of England, was going smoothly. "We said at the time of the purchase that we expected no earnings dilution in its first full year and we are slightly ahead of our target," he said.

Lord Hollick would not comment on fresh claims that Dr Mary Archer and the other Anglia directors had been warned in writing almost two years ago that neither they nor their spouses should deal in Anglia shares in the first three months of the financial year, starting on January 1. Lord Archer placed orders to buy 50,000 in January.

Suggestions that Dr Archer was specifically warned about directors' obligations brought new calls for the trade department to issue its report on Lord Archer's deal. Labour said too many questions lacked answers.

MAI media activities made pre-tax profits of £8.7 million (£3.5 million loss). The biggest contributors to group profits were wholesale broking and money dealing, with profits of £61.2 million (£55.9 million). A final dividend of 5.8p (4.9p) makes 7.8p (6.9p), up 13 per cent.

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Government crackdown on training standards

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

TRAINING chiefs are to hire a 30-strong hit squad of quality inspectors to crack down on uneven standards in Britain's new training regime.

The National Council for Vocational Qualifications (NCVQ) has also been given government backing to crack down on suspected "sharp practice" between some training providers and agents who assess the quality of courses.

Funding for a big push to drive up the standards of National Vocational Qualifications (NVQs) was confirmed by James Paice, the junior employment minister, in a letter to Rhodri Morgan, shadow Welsh spokesman.

Mr Morgan has called for bodies awarding qualifications, to be banned from taking part in training. Although the majority of bodies awarding qualifications are highly respected, including City & Guilds and the Royal Society of Arts, Mr Morgan said a conflict of interest was possible where award bodies were assessing the work of sister organisations.

The fragmentation of the training system, much of it taking place in the workplace, has also provoked charges that training, particularly at lower levels, is too narrow, and lacks the depth of theory needed to make skills portable. Replying to Mr Morgan, Mr Paice acknowledged that until now, "NCVQ has adopted a low profile in its quality assurance role". But he added: "This is about to change."

Funding for a much stronger national council field force will begin in the next financial year, he said.

"While the detailed arrangements have yet to be decided, we have in mind about 30 full-time staff who will act as the eyes and ears of the NCVQ," he said. These staff would be responsible for investigating any reported abuse. "We want to eliminate sharp practice of the sort you suspect," he said.

And he signalled that the Government is no longer willing to watch the credibility of its training reforms damaged by criticism over standards. "I look to the National Council for Vocational Qualifications to discharge their monitoring and quality assurance functions with rigour and to deal with any offenders promptly and effectively," he said.

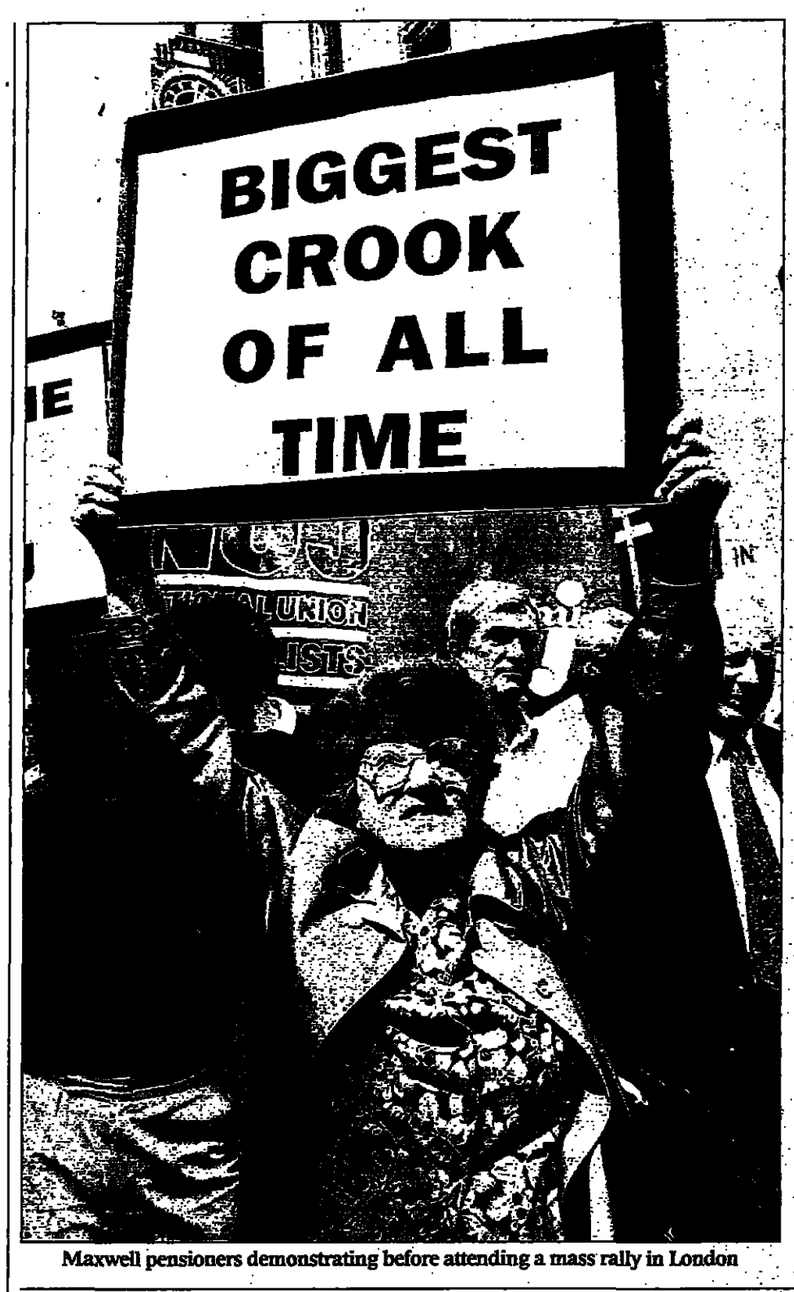
Critics of the National Vocational Qualifications system have suggested that training for tradesmen and managers alike lacks the theoretical basis needed to help them to tackle new jobs or changing tasks. They have also suggested that standards are inconsistent between tasks, and that the qualifications, focused on competence in the workplace, exclude the jobless from training opportunities.

But they believe the system can be improved. Geoff Armstrong, of the Institute of Personnel and Development, said: "We are very much in favour of the National Vocational Qualifications system because we believe that competence based qualifications are best calculated to develop the economy."

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.26	2.05
Austria Sch	18.13	16.63
Belgium Fr	53.29	48.89
Canada $	2.241	2.081
Cyprus Cypf	0.778	0.726
Denmark Kr	10.22	9.42
Finland Mkk	8.43	7.73
France Fr	8.78	8.08
Germany Dm	2.59	2.38
Greece Dr	387.00	362.00
Hong Kong $	12.84	11.84
Ireland Pt	1.07	0.99
Italy Lira	2555.00	2400.00
Japan Yen	171.00	154.00
Malta	0.620	0.585
Netherlds Gld	2.881	2.651
Norway Kr	11.27	10.47
Portugal Esc	259.00	240.50
S Africa Rd	REF.	5.81
Spain Pta	209.50	195.50
Sweden Kr	12.44	11.64
Switzerland Fr	2.17	1.99
Turkey Lira	REFER	49707.0
USA $	1.677	1.547

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.



Maxwell pensioners demonstrating before attending a mass rally in London

Maxwell deal 'may fall short by £100m'

BY JON ASHWORTH

AN IMPENDING settlement for Maxwell pensioners could fall up to £100 million short of covering their full pension entitlement, advisers have said. Trustees are thought to be preparing to pursue outstanding insurance claims in an effort to reach the £400 million required.

A settlement raising the bulk of the sum could be a matter of weeks away. Negotiations led by Sir Peter Webster, a former High Court judge, are expected to result in payments of between £200 million and £300 million from a mixture of City firms, including Coopers & Lybrand, auditor of Maxwell Communication Corporation, and Smith New Court, the broker.

Goldman Sachs, Lehman Brothers, Samuel Montagu and Banque Nationale de Paris are also expected to contribute.

Neil Cooper, of Robson Rhodes, liquidator of Bishopsgate Investment Management, which ran the funds plundered by Robert Maxwell, is thought to have used the threat of imminent legal action to encourage a pooled settlement.

Alan Fishman, of Clay & Partners, an independent trustee to the Maxwell private company pension funds, said the City initiative, if successful, would go a long way to making up the shortfall.

Mr Fishman would not be drawn on the size of a possible shortfall. However, it is thought that at least £100 million may have to be pursued through a variety of other initiatives.

The pursuit of outstanding insurance claims would be one option open to trustees.

Alexander urges China to strengthen City ties

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

LORD Alexander of Weedon, the chairman of National Westminster Bank, yesterday urged China to reinforce ties with institutions from the City of London as a way of securing access to the capital and allied services needed to support the huge economy's rapid growth.

In a speech to a seminar in Peking, Lord Alexander, who is heading a 30-strong mission for British Invisibles (BI), the lobby organisation for Britain's service industry exporters, said existing links between China and Britain had enabled economic relations to grow to mutual advantage. "We firmly believe we can build upon those links to develop that co-operation to a much higher level," he said.

Keen to underline that British Invisibles is looking beyond the present political bitterness between Peking and London over the future of Hong Kong, he called for a commitment to long-term relationships, mutual trust and mutual confidence.

The BI mission, which includes Rupert Pennant-Rea, deputy Governor of the Bank of England, is seeking to highlight to Chinese officials and businessmen the range of financial and legal services London can offer, as well as the practical help it can give China in setting up a modern market system.

NatWest, which opens a representative office in Shanghai, designated as China's financial centre, this week, was a lead issuer on a Chinese bond as long ago as 1913, Lord Alexander said.

BUSINESS ROUND

Allied Leisure plans financial statement

ALLIED Leisure, the troubled tenpin bowling to nightclubs group, will clarify its trading and financial position by the end of this week, after several months of a standstill agreement with its banks. The company shocked the City in March when it accompanied a provision-driven £16.1 million plunge into the red at the interim stage with news that it had breached its banking covenants and that Richard Carr, Allied's founder and chief executive, and two other directors had left.

Allied said that the company's formal standstill agreement with its banks over capital repayments and the continuation of its banking facilities will be extended from yesterday until Friday to assist it in continuing with its restructuring plans. The company will announce its preliminary results for the 48 weeks to June 19 on that day, at which stage a further announcement will be made. Allied Leisure shares eased 2p to 23p.

Lombard deal for HSBC

HSBC Holdings, the banking and financial services group that owns Midland Bank, has agreed to acquire a stake in Lombard Insurance, which conducts general insurance business in Singapore and Hong Kong, from Continental Corp, the American banking group. Terms of the acquisition by HSBC's Carlingford Gibbs subsidiary were not disclosed. HSBC said the purchase was expected to be completed early in 1995. The combined business will have assets in access of HK$500 million, premium income of more than HK$1.4 billion and a staff of 350. Tempus, page 28

Edinburgh Fund up 99%

EDINBURGH Fund Managers increased its pre-tax profits 99 per cent to £7.39 million in the six months to July 31, in spite of a fall of £200 million in funds under management to £3.8 billion. The interim dividend was raised 2p to 8p a share and the company has promised to recommend a final dividend of not less than last year's level of 16p a share. Earnings rose sharply to 26.7p a share, against 13.8p last time. However, Colin Ross, chairman, gave warning that this was because of unit trust trading profits which, he said, were unlikely to recur in the second half of the year.

Bemrose purchase

BEMROSE Corporation, the printer of security and promotional material, is acquiring Incentives Two, which sells promotional products, for an initial £2.3 million, with a further profit-related £1.35 million due later. In the year to the end of January, Incentives Two earned profits of £459,000 before tax, adjusted for non-recurring items, on sales of £5.3 million. Bemrose also announced a rise in pre-tax profits to £2.7 million (£2.5 million) in the six months to July 2, helped by earlier acquisitions. The interim is increased to 4.7p a share from an adjusted 4.09p.

Hobson sells division

HOBSON, the former shell company that bought the Co-op's food manufacturing business this year, is selling its packing division business, which mixes and packs a wide range of baking products, to Yorkshire Food Group for £10.1 million. Yorkshire is paying an initial cash sum of £7.58 million. Hobson will retain about £2.6 million of trade debtors. The packing business made pre-tax profits of £238,000 on sales of £23 million in the year to January 8. Net assets at the year end were £3.85 million. Tempus, page 28

Roxboro payout pledge

ROXBORO, the specialist electronics group floated on the stock market late last year, has promised shareholders a 3p final for the current year. Yesterday the company announced a maiden interim of 1.5p for the six months to July 1 after taxable profits increased to £4.5 million (£3 million). Earnings were 8.1p a share, rising from 5.7p. Harry Tee, chief executive, said: "Group margins showed further gains, with the computer businesses demonstrating their resilience. The group outlook for the second half is encouraging."

Pajares confirmed at Savoy

RAMON Pajares was yesterday confirmed as the new managing director of The Savoy Hotel. The Spanish-born former UK Hotelier of the Year is currently general manager of London's Four Seasons Hotel (formerly The Inn on the Park). He will take up his new post in November.

Mr Pajares succeeds Giles Shepard, 57, who stepped down a week ago, ending 15 years at the helm of the luxury hotels group, after criticism of its financial performance.

"I am delighted and honoured to be joining the Savoy group," Mr Pajares said. "This unique group of hotels and restaurants has epitomised, through its existence, the dream of thousands of young, career-minded people, 'the school' for learning how to deliver quality of service."

Mr Shepard's departure has been seen as a victory for Forte, the majority stakeholder with a minority of votes, whose influence he resisted.

Date set for British Coal to bow out

POWERS to license coal operations and the ownership of reserves will transfer to the Coal Authority from British Coal on October 31, it was announced by the Government yesterday (Martin Barrow writes).

Charles Wardle, the energy and industry minister, also confirmed the appointments of Sir David White as chairman and of Neville Washington as a member of the Coal Authority.

The new authority's functions will include licensing coal-mining operations; owning reserves and making them available for exploration and exploitation; and dealing with events such as landslips, water discharges or gas emissions, which are its responsibility as owner of the coal reserves.

It will also deal with claims for subsidence damage and must provide access to information such as geological data and mine plans.

BLP GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: £700,000 EPS: 5.1p (2.2p loss) Div: 1p (nil)	Previous interim profit was £194,000. Turnover rose to £14.9 million, from £13.4 million. Net cash improved to £761,000.
BRITANNIA GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: £518,000 EPS: 1.6p (7.5p loss) Div: 0.5p (nil)	There was a loss of £868,000 previously. On target for 350 housing sales in full year. Margins "satisfactory".
DINKIE HEEL (Int) Pre-tax: £231,000 EPS: 1.35p (1.76p) Div: 0.5p (0.5p)	Previous interim profit was £309,000. Export sales rose by 18 per cent. Turnover was £3.66 million, against £3.49 million.
ISA INTL. (Int) Pre-tax: £2.26m (£1.95m) EPS: 3.821p (3.293p) Div: 0.605p (0.550)	Turnover rose to £91 million, from £66.6 million. Operating profit increased to £2.48 million, from £2.18 million.
TURNPYKE GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: £16,000 EPS: 0.22p (2.88p loss) Div: Nil (nil)	There was a loss of £185,000 previously. A full-year profit is expected, with progress maintained in second half.
WAKEBOURNE (Int) Pre-tax: £1.07m EPS: 3.4p loss Div: Nil (nil)	There was a loss of £18.9 million previously. Turnover rose to £18.17 million, from £12 million. Dividend promised for full year.

Notice to Customers

SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

National Savings Certificates of the 41st Issue and 7th Index-linked Issue were withdrawn from sale on 19 September 1994.

The 42nd Issue is on sale from 20 September*. It offers a guaranteed and tax-free return of 5.85% pa compound when held for five years. The minimum purchase is £100 and the maximum holding £10,000.

The 8th Index-linked Issue is on sale from 20 September*. It offers a guaranteed and tax-free return of 3.0% pa compound in addition to index-linking when held for five years. The minimum purchase is £100 and the maximum holding £10,000.

In addition to the normal holding limits, up to £20,000 may be reinvested into Reinvestment Certificates of each Issue from any mature National Savings Certificate or Yearly Plan Certificate.

The new Issues of Savings Certificates are available for any amount between the holding limits. Previous Issues were only available in multiples of £25.

YEARLY PLAN

The overall return on five-year Yearly Plan agreements is 5.85% pa compound, guaranteed and tax-free, for applications received from 20 September 1994.

PENSIONERS BONDS

Series 1 Pensioners Guaranteed Income Bonds were withdrawn from sale on 19 September 1994. Series 2 is on sale from 20 September*. It offers monthly interest at a guaranteed rate of 7.5% pa gross over the first five years that a Bond is held.

The minimum purchase is £500 and the maximum holding of Series 2 Bonds is £20,000. This is in addition to any holding of Series 1 Bonds.

CHILDREN'S BONUS BONDS

Issue F Children's Bonus Bonds were withdrawn from sale on 19 September 1994. Issue G is on sale from 20 September*. It offers a guaranteed and tax-free return of 7.85% pa compound when held for the first five years.

CAPITAL BONDS

Series H Capital Bonds were withdrawn from sale on 19 September 1994. Series I is on sale from 20 September*. It offers a gross return of 7.75% pa compound, guaranteed when held for five years.

FIRST OPTION BONDS

From 20 September 1994*, the first year fixed rate on FIRST Option Bonds is 6.4% gross (4.8%, net). Bonds of £20,000 or more held to the first anniversary earn a bonus of 0.4% gross (0.3% net).

*Application forms and Prospectuses will be available at post offices from 17 October 1994. In the meantime they may be obtained direct from National Savings - please telephone 091 374 5026 (during normal office hours).

NATIONAL SAVINGS

Issued by the Department for National Savings on behalf of the Treasury

AMC

The Agricultural Mortgage Corporation PLC announces that with effect from 16th September 1994 until further notice the rate of interest for all existing variable rate loans will be 7.65.

For further details of AMC's facilities please contact AMC, AMC House, Chantry Street, Andover SP10 1DD.

Tel: 0264 334747.

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Hartley Mersland Limited (In Liquidation)
Notice is hereby given that I intend to declare a dividend to unsecured creditors herein within a period of four months from the last date of proving. Last day for receiving proofs - Friday 14th October 1994.
Dated 14 September 1994
G C A Marshfds
Case and Dalgleish
22 Melton Street
London NW1 2EP.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
COMPANIES COURT
NO 006662 OF 1988
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF INTENTION TO DECLARE DIVIDEND IN THE MATTER OF SHERIDANS LIMITED and IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

A second and final dividend is intended to be declared in the above matter. Creditors who have not already done so, are required to lodge their proofs of debt with the Liquidator at 100a Chalk Farm Road, London NW1 8EJ.

If you do not prove your debt and submit your claim by the 7th day of October 1994 you will be excluded from this dividend which is to be declared within four months from the last date for proving.
Dated this 9th day of September 1994
DERRICK S WOOLF FCA,
LIQUIDATOR.

Mix 'N' Match Limited
Registered Number: 2638093
Nature of Business: Textiles & Clothing Manufacture
Trade Classification: 08
Date of Appointment of Administrative Receivers: 9 September
Name of person appointing the Administrative Receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc
Names of persons appointed: Lee Antony Manning and Simon Vincent Priestley both of Buckler Phillips 84 Grosvenor Street London W1X 9DF. (Office Holder Nos 6477 and 6891)
Joint Administrative Receivers.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NORTHAMPTON LIFTING SERVICES LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at 10.30am on the 23rd day of September 1994 at the offices of Ernst & Young, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB for the purposes mentioned in Section 100 and 101 of the said Act.

For the purposes of voting a statement of claim any proxy intended to be used at the meeting must be lodged with the secretary of the Company, 3 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2DB not later than 12 noon on the 22nd day of September 1994.
Dated this 2nd day of September 1994
R PATES DIRECTOR.

C'est Si Bon Limited
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, situated at 20 Eastcastle Street, (2nd floor), London W1 6LF, on 27th September 1994 at 12.00 for the purposes provided in Section 98 et seq.
A list of names and addresses of the above company's creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, PO Box 883, 20 Eastcastle Terrace, (2nd Floor), London W1 6LF, between the hours of 10.00am to 4pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting of Creditors.
DATED THIS 9th September 1994
Offr 2Dirs - Director.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
COMPANIES COURT
NO 0056O2 OF 1985
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF INTENTION TO DECLARE DIVIDEND IN THE MATTER OF ITALIAN JEWELLERY LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
A second and final dividend is intended to be declared in the above matter within four months of the last date of proving.
Creditors who have not already done so, are invited to prove their debts in writing to the Liquidator at 100a Chalk Farm Road, London NW1 8EJ not later than Monday 17th October 1994 otherwise such claims will be excluded from the dividend.
Dated this 14th day of September 1994
DAVID H GILBERT FCA
LIQUIDATOR.

The Insolvency Act 1986
THE HIGHWAYMAN (NOTTINGHAMSHIRE) LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Clifford Street, London, EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the creditors on 8th August 1994.
M.R.DORRINGTON, FIPA.
Liquidator.

Woodercrooker Limited
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF on 27 September 1994 at 10.00am for the purposes mentioned in Section 99 to 101 of the said Act.
Creditors wishing to vote at the Meeting must lodge their proxy, together with a full statement of account at the registered office: 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF, not later than 12 noon on 26 September 1994.
For the purpose of voting, a secured creditor is required (unless he surrenders his security) to lodge, at 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF, before the meeting, a statement giving particulars of his security, the date when it was given and the value at which it is assessed.
Notice is further given that a list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors may be inspected, free of charge, at 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF, between 10.00 am and 4 pm on the two business days preceding the date of the meeting called above.
L A Manning Liquidator.

☐ On manoeuvres with GrandMet ☐ A chance to reform City law enforcement ☐ Time for Tokyo to open up

No accounting for faith

☐ Grand Metropolitan's latest financial manoeuvres are fodder for all those hopeless cynics who argue that the company bends accounting principles so far that they could refract light. For the second time in two years, the group is shovelling a mixed bag of reorganisation expenses into a jumbo £280 million provision. How convenient for the newly-ennobled Lord Sheppard that he has just chalked up a £200 million profit on the sale of a dog-food business to prevent his company's headline profit figure being too badly dented by such a corporate spring clean.

Of course, the two balance sheet events could never be related, but GrandMet is becoming rather practised in the exceptional item. Last year, it set aside £175 million to shake up its American food businesses. This year, it is the turn of IDV and the European food division. These projects, we are told, will cut group operating costs by £160 million, only 2.3 per cent of the group's total operating costs, but enough to make the exercise worthwhile and provide money the group is keen to recycle into marketing its brand portfolio.

Of course, there will be some sour folk who will wonder whether any mundane items are creeping into these hold-all provisions or whether another provision will have to be established next time the boardroom carpet needs replacing. They will not be silenced by GrandMet's reluctance to say which distilleries it plans to close and how many jobs are likely to be lost.

GrandMet's accounts have never been easy for a number cruncher to decipher, with their intangible assets and associate companies, such as Inntrepreneur. Following GrandMet is more akin to religion than clear-headed investment. One simply has to have faith in the group's brands and its powerful marketing skills to provide the cash to pay dividends and satisfy the group's acquisitive hunger.

The group can currently satisy such faith on two counts. The group is becoming a powerful cash generator, with some City analysts predicting that it will throw off as much as £250 million next year. Cash is the one item that no exceptional provision can conceal.

Lord Sheppard still has tremendous skill at selling unwanted businesses for phenomenal prices. It was an open secret in financial circles that GrandMet was keen to be rid of Alpo, trailing seventh in an industry where margins are being squeezed and the winner will take almost all. Lord Sheppard, however, has found a buyer willing to pay more than 1.2 times annual turnover.

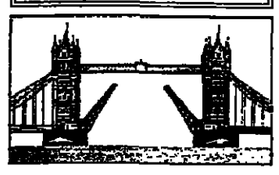
The sale will cut GrandMet debts to less than £2 billion, a trifle compared with past figures. In the old days, Lord Sheppard would have probably seized the chance to buy a small South American country, but even he has felt the turn of City sentiment against the mega-deal. Instead, he talks about modish in-fill acquisitions, if GrandMet can rein in its desires as tightly as it does its accounts.

Saunders the lawmaker

☐ JUDGMENTS by the European Commission on Human Rights are a long way from changes in British law. The Commission's findings in the case of Ernest Saunders point to such an obvious conflict that it will be hard to dodge the issue.

Essentially, the problem is that witnesses are compelled to give

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evidence to investigators under a variety of laws aimed at regulating business, and thus, if necessary, to incriminate themselves. When criminal allegations are brought, forced self-incrimination is an anathema. The long-winded new police caution is still a long way short of the compulsion to give evidence to commercial investigators.

This mismatch comes up every time criminal prosecutions follow official investigations under company or banking law. The Serious Fraud Office and prosecutors have tried to wean themselves off relying on evidence from investigations as far as possible. That, however, is only likely to raise their failure rate in high-profile cases even further — especially those centring on complex false accounting scams, rather than conventional fraud aimed at depriving people of their money.

In the end, the conflicts will have to be sorted out. One way is to curb the powers of the DTI and other investigators. That would not help creditors or the good conduct of business. The other is to crack down on commercial "crimes" through the civil rather than the criminal law. That is surely the best route for breaches of City rules, as well as for insider trading and like cheating. It should lead to speedier justice and prove a cheaper and more effective way to clean up the sewers of business.

Some laws would still have to be changed, not least to increase the powers and civil punishments available to regulators. The sanction of imprisonment would also be lost. But prisons should not be full of overwheening entrepreneurs and flashy traders. Whatever one may think of those involved, the Guinness case was an expensive waste of public funds. The full power of the criminal law to lock people away should be reserved for those who either set out to rook the public or do so recklessly to save themselves.

Japan still has further to go

THE Japanese are growing up. Well-fed teenagers tower over their parents. Japan's politics and the economy are regaining stability after a period of confusion, scandal and recession. Corporations have acquired a global reach. Protectionism is gradually breaking down. Where does that leave us?

A joint conference between the Chambers of Commerce of Britain, Japan, London and Tokyo, held yesterday in London, picked over the jetsam of the tidal wave of money that swept out of Japan during the second half of the 1980s.

Total direct investments overseas by Japanese manufacturers in 1985 were £1.3 billion, of which £60 million came to Britain. By 1990, the total was £8.7 billion, of which £1.1 billion settled here.

The Japanese feel at home with Britain, its language and its tax rates. Yet investment flows are falling. New markets in China, Vietnam and India promise larger returns, bigger opportunities.

The Japanese priorities are infrastructure, information networks and financing for both. All areas in which Britain has considerable technical expertise. Collaboration is invited.

Britain's construction, engineering, telecoms and media industries should take note. Our car-makers learned, to their cost and almost too late, the need to keep up with an ingenious opposition. You can't beat them if you don't join them.

Reciprocity remains an issue. Aided by Honda, Britain's German owned car-maker, Rover, is raising sales in Japan by more than 30 per cent a year. But what a battle it has been to gain market access.

Japanese consumers want to buy British goods. Structural and legal impediments restrict our exports and investment.

Liberalisation of Japanese insurance markets has been discussed for a decade. Where's the progress? Whisky is taxed into the stratosphere. British firms invest only 10p in Japan for every pound that the Japanese invest here, and not for lack of will.

Are the Japanese still too small to compete on the level?



PETER TREVNOR

Bruce Farmer, left, with Graham Swetman, finance director, said purchases would mean a rise in gearing

Morgan Crucible ready to hit acquisition trail

By Philip Pangalos

MORGAN Crucible, the specialist industrial materials group that recently sold its Holt Lloyd International car care business, plans to make further "bolt-on acquisitions" in the current year.

Bruce Farmer, managing director, said the group is in "advanced stages" of negotiations to acquire a number of businesses, including operations in the carbon and thermal ceramics fields. The company will fund the new buys with proceeds from the sale in August of Holt Lloyd to its management for £63.4 million. The businesses in question are understood to have annual sales between $20 million and $60 million.

Dr Farmer said the acquisition programme would mean a rise in gearing, which is currently about 33 per cent. "But, certainly, gearing will not be higher than 50 per cent by the end of the year . . . that's how much we'll spend."

The news came as Morgan Crucible unveiled an 8.4 per cent advance in pre-tax profits to £35 million (£32.3 million) in the half year to July 4. The advance follows an upturn in demand in most of the group's markets and the continued launch of new products, helping first half sales to grow 2.6 per cent, or 3.2 per cent excluding currency and acquisitions, to £412 million.

Dr Farmer said the group's broad international spread, the launch of products and a commitment to research and development had helped to see it through the worst of the recession, as had cost-cutting. The company now manufactures in 41 countries and sells in 122, while 20 per cent of sales were achieved by businesses the group did not have three years ago. On the cost front, the group has reduced the number of people it employs by 16 per cent since 1990.

Dr Farmer said progress in the rest of the year would be fuelled by improving demand, new product sales, the benefits of rationalisation and the investment of some of the proceeds of the Holt Lloyd sale.

He added: "The group's order intake is currently up 6 per cent on last year, with the best gains being seen in North America, South-East Asia, the UK and the remainder of Europe. Australasian demand shows little improvement and our Japanese markets are still depressed." An upturn in Japanese markets is unlikely this year, while cuts in defence spending in America and Britain have already dented sales and profits at the group's speciality materials division and are likely to continue to take a toll.

He said: "We know there are going to be some more defence cutbacks, but we don't know by how much. Defence remains tough.

"Overall, we are now seeing some upturn in demand and the investments we have made in improving efficiency and new product development are beginning to benefit our margins."

Underlying earnings climbed 8.4 per cent to 10.3p (9.5p) a share. The interim dividend is raised to 5.95p (5.75p). The shares firmed 4½p to 332p.

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Dairy Farm ends Kwik Save pact

By Susan Gilchrist

DAIRY Farm International ruled out a full takeover bid for Kwik Save, the discount retailer in which it holds a 29.4 per cent stake, after the two sides agreed an end to a seven-year-old standstill agreement.

The company, based in Hong Kong, said it had no intention of making an offer for Kwik Save and expected to remain a long-term and supportive minority shareholder when the standstill agreement ends in November.

Dairy Farm acquired a 25 per cent stake in Kwik Save in September 1987 and has since raised its holding to 29.4 per cent. The standstill agreement, set up in November 1987, restricted its ability to increase or dispose of its stake without Kwik Save's consent.

Yesterday, a Dairy Farm spokesman said that the agreement had outlived its purpose. "It was put in at a time when the two boards did not know each other," he said. "The relationship is now very close." The two companies have three mutual directors, including Simon Keswick, chairman of both boards.

Tony MacNeary, a food retailing analyst with NatWest Markets, believes the move finally eliminates the possibility of a bid for Kwik Save by Dairy Farm, the subject of speculation ever since the original stake was bought. Mr MacNeary believes that Dairy Farm is more likely to dispose of its shareholding.

Kwik Save's pre-tax profits for the year to August are expected to be about £130 million, against £126 million last time.

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Jardine boosted by joint venture

By Robert Miller

JARDINE Matheson, the international trading house that is now registered in Bermuda, yesterday reported profits of US$216 million after tax in the first half of the year — a 24 per cent increase over the comparable figure for 1993.

The group, which as a founder of the Hong Kong colony is known as the "princely hong", raised its interim dividend 15 per cent to 7.8 cents and increased its earnings to 36.69 cents a share. The results were boosted by a particularly strong showing from the joint venture with Jardine Fleming, which posted a 44 per cent increase in its interim profits to $111 million.

However, Jardine said: "In the second half of the year, it will be difficult to match the quite exceptional results achieved in the comparable period last year. In stock broking, less buoyant conditions in South-East Asian financial markets were to some extent offset by improvements in Japan." Funds under management at Jardine Fleming rose to $22 billion, against $21 billion at the end of 1993.

Jardine Pacific's earnings increased 7 per cent to $86 million with improved results in Hong Kong and a partial recovery in the wine and spirits business in Japan. The restaurants division benefited from a good performance by Pizza Hut in Japan.

At Mandarin Oriental, which assumed the management of the Ritz in London in May, profits were $23 million. Hongkong Land profits rose 10 per cent to $182 million.

Henry Keswick, group chairman, said: "The outlook for the full year is for satisfactory earnings growth."

Investment causes slide at Isle of Man Steam Packet

By Our City Staff

THE Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, which operates ferry services for passengers and vehicles, hopes to reap the benefits of a new and much faster catamaran service introduced in June.

The company's services, which operate between the Isle of Man, Heysham, Liverpool, Fleetwood, Belfast and Dublin, received a boost from the successful introduction of *SeaCat Isle of Man*, a catamaran service for 450 passengers which substantially cuts journey times on all routes.

The SeaCat, which travels at 37 knots, has been chartered from Sea Containers, which has a 42 per cent stake in the company, and has halved the voyage to Liverpool to 2½ hours, while Dublin and Belfast are now also only 2¼ hours away.

The costs of establishing a new North Sea roll-on-roll-off freight service took a toll on first-half profits. Pre-tax profits in the six months to June 30 fell to £1.18 million, against £1.91 million last time, on turnover ahead to £12.5 million (£11.9 million).



Steaming ahead: the *SeaCat* entered service in June

Juan Kelly, chairman, said the results benefited from better yields and improved cost controls, which more than offset a fall in traffic levels on Isle of Man routes. Profits, however, were hit by the costs of establishing the Mannin Line, the roll-on-roll-off freight service operating from Great Yarmouth to Ijmuiden in The Netherlands that started last November. Earnings slip to 3.48p (5.42p) a share, but the interim dividend is maintained at 1.75p.

New fears push up coffee price

FEARS that retail coffee prices will rise again were fuelled by a fresh surge in the price of raw coffee yesterday amid market concern about the impact of dry weather in Brazil, the world's biggest producer.

Raw coffee climbed to its highest price for eight years. The November contract hit a peak of $4,089 a tonne on the London commodity exchange, before easing back to close at $4,039, still $107 higher than at the finish on Friday. Yesterday's peak was $4 above the highest price reached in July after frost hit Brazil's coffee-growing regions.

Dry weather could now damage trees unaffected by the frost, which is believed to have cut the coming year's Brazilian crop, by up to 40 per cent.

September is an important month for coffee buyers, as roasters prepare for the Christmas season. They had hoped for a price dip this autumn.

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STOCK MARKET  MICHAEL CLARK

Arjo's price reverses on rumour of acquisition

CITY claims that **Arjo Wiggins Appleton** is about to hit the acquisition trail sent shares of the Anglo-French paper supplier sliding 10p to 258p as about 1.5 million of them changed hands.

There is mounting speculation that the group, whose chairman is Cob Stenham, has thrown its hat into the ring and joined the final bidders forming part of the £1 billion auction for SD Warren, the US paper group owned by Scott Paper, which was advertised for sale by Salomon Brothers in September.

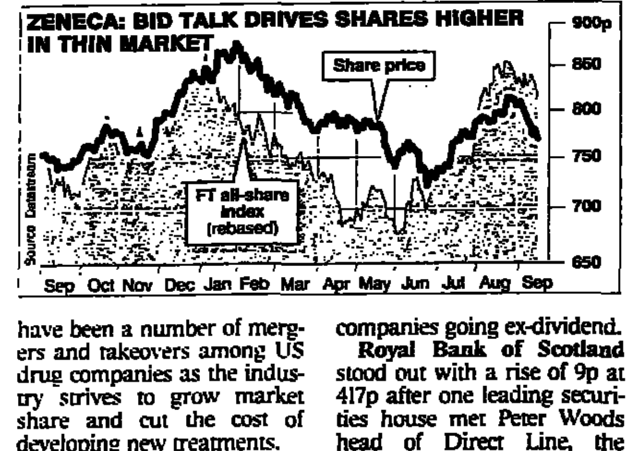
A number of American bidders have dropped out of the running, worried by the asking price, but European paper makers are reported to be still showing keen interest. Brokers are increasingly worried that Arjo Wiggins may turn to the City with a £500 million-plus rights issue in order to raise the funds needed to help to finance the deal.

This month, Arjo pleased the stock market with half-year figures showing pre-tax profits up from £63 million to £105 million and indicating that the company was firmly on the road to recovery.

Share prices spent another volatile session with the bears again trying to drive prices lower first thing in the wake of Friday's sharp falls after indications on both sides of the Atlantic that the economic recovery was overheating.

After an initial shake-out, prices regained their composure as some investors took the view that recent falls had been overdone. The FT-SE 100 index reversed an early loss of almost 17 points but, after trading as high as 3,085.3, closed below its best with a gain of 14.0 at 3,079.1 as Wall Street opened higher. Once again, trading remained thin, and by the close of business, only 468 million shares had been traded. Dealers bemoaned the short-term outlook for equities, which they say is uncertain.

Speculative buying continued to support some leading shares, with the pharmaceutical sector attracting more than its fair share. **Wellcome** stood out with a rise of 28p at 685p as almost 2 million shares changed hands, while **Zeneca** was 23p better at 833p on turnover of 1.7 million shares. Both companies are seen as the most vulnerable among leading drug companies to an unwanted predator. There have been a number of mergers and takeovers among US drug companies as the industry strives to grow market share and cut the cost of developing new treatments.



Weekend reports of a bid in the engineering sector also attracted support. **Lucas Industries** stood out as a buyer of 1 million shares began doing the rounds. By the close of business, a total of 5.4 million shares had been traded.

Cable and Wireless advanced 4p to 405p on talk of a buy recommendation from stockbroker James Capel. Elsewhere among leaders, **Grand Metropolitan** slipped 3p to 409p. News that the group is selling Alpo, its US petfood business, to Nestlé for $510 million was positively received. But subsequent restructuring, which will cost £280 million and be charged as an exceptional, received a luke-warm reception.

P&O finished the day 5p lower at 655p. It was one of a large number of blue chip companies going ex-dividend.

Royal Bank of Scotland stood out with a rise of 9p at 417p after one leading securities house met Peter Woods head of Direct Line, the group's successful and high profile insurance subsidiary.

Kwik Save, the discount food retailer, slipped 3p to 604p as hopes of a bid from Dairy Farms, its new 30 per cent Hong Kong shareholder, suffered a setback. Dairy Farms first acquired a stake in the company back in September 1987, when it agreed a seven-year standstill agreement. That agreement is due to expire in November. Dairy Farms yesterday said it had no present intention of making a bid and expects to remain a long-term and supportive minority shareholder. Kwik Save is due to unveil full-year figures in November.

Tesco, which earlier this year acquired rival William Low, firmed 3p to 251p ahead of interim figures later today. These are expected to show a modest rise in pretax profits to £248 million.

Profit taking left **MAI**, the financial services and media group headed by Lord Hollick, the Labour peer, 23p cheaper at 255p after reporting a 21 per cent rise in final pre-tax profits of 21 per cent to £96.7 million.

Morgan Crucible, the industrial products supplier, rose 5p to 332p despite weighing in with interim figures at the lower end of expectations showing pre-tax profits were almost 9 per cent ahead at £35 million. The group reported signs of an upturn and said that new product developments are starting to benfit margins.


Stenham: bid rumours

SHARES in Business Technology, soon to be renamed The Berkeley Business Group, are due to return from suspension tomorrow . They were frozen at 8½p after the photocopier distributor raised £10 million for its Captain Cargo acquisition and are expected to resume trading at around the 14p level.

USM-quoted **Rhino** fell 5p to 27p after issuing a veiled profits warning along with its half-year figures showing a seasonal pre-tax loss, up from £260,000 to £1.37 million. The Future Zone computer games retailer said the home computer and video games market had declined by 14 per cent, so far, this year.

The electricity distributors enjoyed selective support in a thin market after Panmure Gordon, the stock broker, took a positive line on prospects. **South Wales** finished 1p lighter at 812p despite buying back 250,000 of its own shares at 813p. But there were gains for **East Midland** 16p to 737p, and **Eastern** 4p to 771p, while modest gains were recorded in **Midlands** 3p to 776p, and **South West** 3p to 766p.

☐ **GILT-EDGED:** Early rises were wiped out in thin trading. Prices were led higher by a futures-related rally and a firmer German bund. But the general economic uncertainty left investors unwilling to open fresh positions.

The December series of the Long Gilt future finished three ticks firmer at £98 11/32, with a modest 33,000 contracts completed. At the long end of the cash market, Treasury 8¾ per cent 2017 closed unchanged at par, while in shorts, Treasury 7¼ per cent 1998 finished five ticks lower at £95 27/32.

☐ **NEW YORK:** A handful of blue chips kept the Dow Jones industrial average in positive territory, most notably Coca-Cola, Exxon and American Express.

High technology shares such as Microsoft and Hewlett-Packard were mixed, with mostly fractional advances and declines. Analysts said they remained bellwethers of the stock market.

The index was 14.81 points ahead at 3,948.16 at midday. Advances inched ahead of declining issues. Analysts also said the market was relieved that an invasion of Haiti had been averted.

☐ **TOKYO:** Tokyo stocks succumbed to bouts of index-linked selling to end with considerable losses. The Nikkei share average ended at a 24-week low, down 242.15 points, or 1.22 per cent, at 19,554.11.

☐ **FRANKFURT:** German shares closed little changed from bourse opening levels. The Dax ended at 2,096.76, up less than one point from opening.

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):	
Dow Jones	3948.16 (+14.81)
S&P Composite	472.84 (+1.65)
Tokyo:	
Nikkei Average	19554.11 (-242.15)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	9801.43 (-167.09)
Amsterdam:	
EOE Index	407.09 (-0.49)
Sydney:	
AO	2049.1 (-9.9)
Frankfurt:	
DAX	2096.76 (-21.97)
Singapore:	
Straits	2271.85 (-25.33)
Brussels:	
General	7351.35 (-43.82)
Paris:	
CAC-40	1922.87 (-1.72)
Zurich:	
SKA Gen	665.10 (+3.00)
London:	
FT 30	2389.5 (+1.4)
FT 100	3079.1 (+14.0)
FT-SE Mid 250	3608.0 (-8.1)
FT-SE Eurotrack 100	1356.96 (-1.95)
FT A All-Share	1543.64 (+3.93)
FT Non Financials	1667.46 (+3.06)
FT Gold Mines	270.60 (-3.10)
FT Fixed Interest	106.85 (-0.45)
FT Govt Secs	90.22 (+0.23)
Bargains	24511
SEAQ Volume	468.8m
USM (Datastrm)	161.44 (+0.01)
US$	1.5682 (-0.0153)
German Mark	2.4354 (+0.0011)
Exchange Index	79.6 (-0.2)
RPI	144.7 Aug (2.4%) Jan=100
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Cont'l Foods Wts	1¼	...
Emerging Mkts C	61	...
Indepndnt Prts (120)	120	...
JF Fledge Japan Wts	55	-3
Magnum Power	64	+1
Orbis (23)	29	...
Panther Wts	16	-1
Petroceltic	26	...
Suter Wts 99/04	30	-3
Temp Emg New	376	...
Temp Emg Wts	209	-2
Tops Estates Wts	28	-1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Comm Union n/p (475)	45	-1
EMAP n/p (360)	13	-5
Weir Group n/p (252)	20	+1

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:	
Eurotherm	388p (+12p)
Roxboro	246p (+14p)
Geest	220p (+9p)
Wellcome	685p (+28p)
Blenheim Grp	229p (+16p)
Shell	718p (+7½p)
Portals	678p (+11p)
BAT	421p (+8p)
Nat West	492p (+8½p)
Ryl Bank Scotland	417p (+9p)
SG Warburg	738p (+8p)
FALLS:	
Meyer Int	378p (-9p)
Persimmon	232p (-14p)
RMC Group	927p (-10p)
Sothebys	803p (-22p)
Daejam	1460 (-18p)
Warner	222p (-9p)
Booker	444p (-8p)
Broken Hill	954p (-19p)
Kleeneze	168p (-12p)
Chrysalis	199p (-14p)
Tottenham Hot	135p (-9p)
British Land	368p (-10p)

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TEMPUS

A Farmer goes to market

IT IS never wise to tell a used car salesman, or a used company salesman for that matter, how much you have to spend. That, however, is what Bruce Farmer, Morgan Crucible's managing director, dared to do yesterday when he made heavy hints about forthcoming acquisitions and the amount by which they would increase the group's gearing. Assuming that Morgan generates another £5 million in the second half, basic arithmetic suggests that Dr Farmer has about £50 million in his corporate coffers to spend.

Dr Farmer's confidence about his figurework suggests that Morgan is close to buying the businesses it wants, effectively recycling the proceeds from the disposal of Holt Lloyd last month.

Any acquisition will be welcomed by investors, however, because Morgan, like many other heavy industrial groups, is finding sales growth hard to come by. Turnover increased only 3 per cent in first half, and while the technical ceramics division is a little more active, thanks to the recovery of the speciality metals business, it is counter-balanced by the materials division, which is still suffering from the slowdown in defence spending.

At least the recovery appears to be accelerating, since Morgan's order book is now 6 per cent higher than a year ago. The group needs such an increase in activity since it is making heavy weather of improving operating margins.

With the dividend still covered less than twice, Morgan needs to generate more cash from somewhere to replenish Dr Farmer's wallet once he has finished his spending spree this autumn.

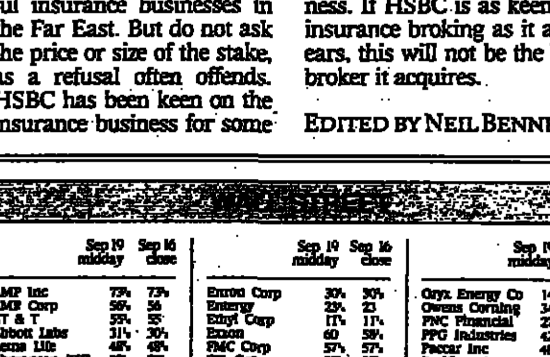
Kwik Save

LIKE a science fiction monster, Jardine Matheson prefers to take over corporate bodies from the inside. Kwik Save never really stood a chance after Dairy Farm, Jardine's food retailing associate, took its original 25 per cent stake in September 1987.

Since then, Dairy Farm has so tightened its grip on Kwik Save's boardroom that the two now seem practically indivisible. The few investors who still hope for a bid miss the point that Dairy Farm has all the control it wants without having to pay for it. The standstill agreement was never more than a face-saver for Kwik Save, since it could be terminated at any stage by Dairy Farm.

The signs are, however, that Jardine is tiring of Kwik Save. Its investment has performed strongly in the past seven years, since the original tender price was 450p. However, Kwik Save's growth has slowed as competition in the discount food sector has grown. Jardine, through its Hongkong Land offshoot, is now embroiled in the turnround of Trafalgar House.

So Dairy Farm could well turn a seller of its Kwik Save holding. Yesterday's statement said, significantly, that the compnay only "expects" to remain a long-term shareholder. The difficulty comes in finding a buyer while the food retailing sector remains so depressed. Conceivably, one of the continental discounters, like Aldi or Netto, may be tempted to accelerate their expansion this way.



Hobson

HOBSON'S sale of its packing division is hard to fault. The company has recovered almost a tenth of the price it paid for the Co-operative Wholesale Society's food manufacturing business in April, while only losing 2 per cent of the earnings.

The business being sold has net margins of only 1 per cent, lower than the industry average, and would have taken a too much time and investment to build. Its two sites need upgrading, and Yorkshire Food Group, the buyer, has already said it will close the smaller plant.

The disposal takes Hobson closer to twin objectives of lifting group margins from 3 per cent to 6 per cent, and increasing the proportion of sales to other food retailers.

So far, so good. Clearly, there need to be further disposals and a continuing rationalisation of the broad spread of food businesses. Hobson may have received a good price this time, but that is no guarantee it will continue to do so. The food manufacturing sector, particularly those that supply own-label goods, are finding the going tough and all want to focus on similar value-added product areas and dispose of commodity-driven businesses. Hobson may be on the right track, but in a sector plagued with over-capacity and margin pressures, there is scope for disappointment.

HSBC

IN its usual retentive fashion, HSBC wants to say as little as possible about its latest expansion in the insurance business. The acquisition of a majority stake in the Lombard Insurance Company is likely to make Carlingford Gibbs one of the most powerful insurance businesses in the Far East. But do not ask the price or size of the stake, as a refusal often offends. HSBC has been keen on the insurance business for some time and was narrowly outbid when Hogg Group was put on sale earlier this year. Lombard may seem like a consolation prize, since it does not have the international spread of business that Hogg offered, but is concentrated in Hong Kong and Singapore, like much of Carlingford's business.

But the deal should not be dismissed out of hand. The combined premium income of the business will be more than HK$1.4 billion (£114 million). The company's growth prospects are also attractive, since Hong Kong and its Chinese hinterland are developing markets for insurance. The business, however, still looks lop-sided, and appears under-represented in the London market, to which it is likely to need growing access to place business. If HSBC is as keen on insurance broking as it appears, this will not be the last broker it acquires.

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COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Sep	1000-936	Dec	1067-1065
Dec	974-973	Mar	1081-1080
Mar	1006-1005	May	1100-1090
May	1019-1018	Jul	1105-1090
Jul	1032-1031		
Sep	1046-1045		Volume: 2942

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Sep	4205-4180	May	3845-3840
Nov	4055-4050	Jul	3830-3820
Jan	4010-4000	Sep	3830-3800
Mar	3910-3900		Volume: 6763

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Aug	331.9-31.1
Spot: 340.20		Oct	315.9-14.1
Dec	331.9-31.1	Dec	315.7-12.1
Mar	332.0-31.6	Mar	317.2-11.1
May	332.0-31.6		Volume: 843

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on September 16

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	71.21	86.56	115.33
(+/-)	-1.61	-1.47	-2.25
Eng/Wales:	71.21	86.21	115.36
(+/-)	-1.61	-1.76	-2.22
(%)	-21.0	-21.0	+8.0
Scotland:	n/a	88.68	114.99
(+/-)	n/a	-0.08	-2.63
(%)	n/a	+45.0	+54.0

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm)

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	15.40	+0.10
Brent 15 day (Oct)	15.60	+0.05
Brent 15 day (Nov)	15.90	+0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	16.95	+0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	17.10	+0.10

PRODUCTS ($/MT)

Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

Premium Gas .15	B: 169 (n/c)	O: 173 (+1)
Gasoil EEC	148 (+1)	149 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Oct	149 (+1)	150 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Nov	152 (+1)	154 (+1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	71 (+1)	73 (+1)
Naphtha	155 (n/c)	157 (+1)

IPE FUTURES (GNI Ltd)

GAS OIL

Oct	148.75-49.00	Jan	156.00 SLR
Nov	151.50-51.75	Feb	156.50-57.00
Dec	153.75-54.00		Vol: 8358

BRENT (6.00pm)

Nov	15.88-15.89	Feb	16.22 BID
Dec	16.04-16.05	Mar	16.25 BID
Jan	16.21 SLR		Vol: 9146

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)		BARLEY (close £/t)	
Sep	106.60	Sep	102.90
Nov	107.75	Nov	104.40
Jan	109.75	Jan	106.35
Mar	111.70	Mar	108.70
May	113.70	May	110.50
Volume: 265		Volume: 65	

POTATO (£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	150.0
Apr	220.9	219.5
May	unq	240.0
		Volume: 96

RUBBER (No 1 RSS Cif p/k)

Oct 78.25-78.75

BIFFEX (GNI Ltd $10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Sep 94	1580	1580	1583
Oct 94	1625	1610	1625
Nov 94	1620	1605	1620
Jan 95	1585	1575	1583
Vol: 165 lots		Open interest: 2370	

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LONDON METAL EXCHANGE (Official) (Volume prev day) Rudolf Wolff

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	2514.5-2515.5	2530.0-2531.0	1042850
Lead ($/tonne)	614.50-615.00	627.50-628.00	167625
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1006.0-1006.5	1028.0-1029.0	747575
Tin ($/tonne)	5230.0-5240.0	5315.0-5320.0	13770
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1582.5-1583.0	1607.5-1608.0	1547625
Nickel ($/tonne)	6390.0-6395.0	6490.0-6495.0	118686

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
Alld Lyon	540	37½	—	—	5½	—	—
(*568)	580	10½	—	—	27½	—	—
Argyll	280	22½	28	36	5	12	17½
(*295)	300	10½	18	26	14	22	27½
ASDA	60	9	11½	13	1½	3	4
(*67)	70	3	5½	7½	9½	7½	8½
Boots	500	31	41	52½	5½	16	22½
(*521½)	550	6	17	29½	33	43½	49
Br Airways	360	28½	38	47½	5	13½	18
(*380½)	390	11	22	32	18	28	32½
BP	390	34	43	50	4	9½	15
(*417)	420	13½	25	33	14	22	28
Br Steel	140	19½	23	27	1½	4½	6½
(*156½)	160	5½	10½	15½	8½	13	14½
C & W	390	28	40½	52	8½	18½	25
(*405½)	420	12	26	37	24	34½	40
CU	493	36½	51	56½	4½	12	22½
(*519½)	543	8	27½	30	29½	36	49½
ICI	800	55	77	90	7½	20½	34½
(*840½)	850	22½	47½	60½	27½	41½	59
Kingfisher	460	31	46½	58½	8½	17½	24½
(*479½)	500	12	25	38	28	37½	44
Land Sec	600	20½	31	45½	10½	21	25½
(*605½)	650	3	11	22½	47	53½	56½
M & S	390	26	34½	43	4	11	14½
(*409)	420	9	18	27	17½	25	28½
Nat West	460	42	56	64	5½	13½	22
(*492)	500	15½	32	39½	29½	29	41½
Sainsbury	420	27½	38	49	8½	18½	24
(*436½)	460	6½	19	30	28	40	45
Shell	700	24	39	49½	13½	23	34
(*717½)	750	4½	16½	25½	49½	54	64½
Smkl Bch	420	22½	33½	43	10½	20½	27
(*429½)	460	6	15½	24½	35	44½	50½
Storehse	200	9	16	19½	6	11	14½
(*202)	220	2½	6½	11	20½	23½	27
Trafalgar	90	11½	14	16	2	4½	5
(*88½)	90	4	8	10½	5½	8½	9½
Unilever	1100	43½	62½	84	15	32½	47½
(*1121)	1150	17	36	57	42	59	73½
Zeneca	800	47½	70	81½	8	19½	35
(*833)	850	16	40½	53½	31	41½	60
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Grnd Met	390	32½	41	47	11	19	22
(*409)	420	15½	25	31½	24½	33½	37½
Ladbroke	140	24½	29	31½	2½	4½	8
(*158½)	160	11	17	21	9	13	17
Utd Bisc	300	22½	29	33½	8	13½	32
(*315)	330	8½	15	19	27	31	39

Series		Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
BAA	475	22	30½	40½	8	16	20
(*489)	500	8	17½	27½	22	29	32½
Thames W	500	23½	34	42½	10	24½	28
(*509½)	550	4½	15	22½	44	56	58
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAT Ind	420	22½	34	39½	16½	22½	32
(*421)	460	7½	17	22½	45	47½	58
BTR	300	27	37	41½	6	11	15½
(*317)	330	12	21	27	20	25	31½
Br Aero	460	37	53½	63	18	28	37
(*479)	500	18	33	44½	40	50½	59
Br Telcm	360	29½	34	40	5	12	15
(*380)	390	12	17½	24	18	27½	30½
Cadbury	460	20	33½	39	14½	21	29
(*461½)	500	6½	16½	22	42½	45½	53
Guinness	460	19½	31½	37	16½	23	29½
(*463)	500	5½	14½	20½	46	49½	55
GEC	280	19	23	29	6½	11	13½
(*289½)	300	8	13½	19	16½	21½	23½
Hanson	240	12½	17	20½	7½	12	19½
(*243)	260	4½	8	12	20	24	27½
LASMO	154	14	—	—	7	—	—
(*158)	180	4	8	11½	26	28	29½
Lucas	180	17½	22	25½	7	10	14
(*192½)	200	6½	12	16	18	22	25
Pilkingtn	180	19	21½	26	4½	8	11
(*191½)	200	7½	11½	15½	14½	19	21½
Prudential	300	25½	32½	37	6½	11½	17
(*315)	330	9	16½	22	22	26	33½
Redland	500	23	36½	46	22	27½	43
(*505½)	550	6½	17	26	59	61½	75½
Royal Ins	280	17½	26½	32	14	19	25
(*280½)	300	9½	17	23½	27	30½	37
Tesco	240	18	24½	30	7	12	16
(*251)	260	8	14½	20	17½	22	26½
Vodafone	183	11½	16	—	9	13½	—
(*183½)	200	5	8½	14	20	24	26
Williams	325	21½	—	—	7½	—	—
(*335)	354	7	—	—	24	—	—

FT-SE INDEX (*3080)

	2950	3000	3050	3100	3150	3200
Calls						
Oct	146	109	76	50	31	18
Nov	168	131	102	75	54	38
Dec	189	155	125	98	75	55
Jan	213	184	153	122	100	80
Jun	—	250	—	194	—	190
Puts						
Oct	26	40	57	82	113	152
Nov	41	55	75	98	127	161
Dec	60	77	96	118	146	175
Jan	77	97	115	134	162	192
Jun	—	132	—	175	—	230

Series		Calls Sep	Dec	Mar	Puts Sep	Dec	Mar
Abby Nat	390	17	31	39	4	12½	22½
(*400½)	430	3	15½	23½	23	29	39
Amstrad	30	1½	3½	4½	1½	3½	4½
(*30)	35	1	2	2½	6	7	7½
Barclays	550	45	61	72½	1	9½	19½
(*591½)	600	7	30½	43½	14	30	42
Blue Circ	260	18	27½	34½	1½	8	13½
(*274)	280	4	16	24	9	17	23½
Br Gas	300	7½	16½	24½	5	15	19½
(*303)	330	1	6	12½	28½	36½	39½
Dixons	180	14½	23½	26½	1½	8	12
(*191½)	200	2½	12½	16½	11	18	22½
Forte	200	21½	24½	30½	1	5	8½
(*219)	220	4½	12½	19	9½	13½	17½
Hillsdwn	180	2½	11	17	5	10½	12
(*180)	200	1	4	8½	22	25½	27
Lonrho	130	6½	13½	17	2½	7	11
(*134)	140	2	8½	12½	8	13	16½
Sears	110	6½	9	13	1½	4½	6
(*114½)	120	1½	4½	7½	7½	10½	12
Thrn Emi	1000	19½	56	71	9½	33½	49½
(*1007½)	1050	3	32	48	48½	62	77
Tomkins	230	8½	18	24	3	9	14
(*225)	240	1½	9	14½	17	21	25
TSB	220	6½	10½	21½	4	11	17
(*222)	240	1½	9	12½	20	23½	29
Wellcome	650	40½	68	86½	3	22	34
(*684½)	700	8½	39½	59½	24	45½	58
Series		**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**	**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**
Glaxo	550	37½	58½	70	11½	23½	36½
(*573)	600	13	33	46	37½	50	63½
HSBC	700	41½	68	86½	21½	40½	61½
(*716½)	750	18½	43	63	49½	67½	89½
Reuter	4750	18½	—	—	13½	—	—
(*477.0)	4875	13	—	—	20½	—	—
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
R-Royce	180	13	18½	22	8	12½	16
(*181½)	200	5½	10	13½	21½	24½	28
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Fisons	120	4	10½	14	3½	9	12
(*120½)	130	2	6½	9½	12	16	19
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Eastrn Elc	750	54½	73½	87	24½	37	46½
(*771½)	800	29	48½	61½	50	64½	72
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Natl Pwr	460	19½	35½	46½	3½	17½	24
(*475)	500	2½	16½	28	28	39	45
Scot Pwr	360	29	42½	49½	1½	10	14
(*385½)	390	6½	25½	33	11	23	27

September 19, 1994 Tot: 22508 Call: 9288 Put: 13220 FT-SE Call: 4633 Put: 4856

*Underlying security price.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Dec 94	3071.0	3101.0	3054.0	3081.0	11067
Previous open interest: 49555	Mar 95	3103.0	3114.0	3103.0	3104.0	10
Three Month Sterling	Sep 94	94.17	94.18	94.15	94.15	5785
Previous open interest: 539361	Dec 94	93.23	93.26	93.15	93.16	35643
	Mar 95	92.31	92.33	92.15	92.16	15904
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 94	94.93	94.93	94.93	94.94	200
Previous open interest: 7208	Dec 94	94.23	94.23	94.23	94.23	53
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 94	94.92	94.92	94.89	94.88	9635
Previous open interest: 796215	Dec 94	94.69	94.71	94.64	94.66	40647
Long Gilt	Sep 94	99-05	99-16	99-02	99-03	669
Previous open interest: 115627	Dec 94	98-14	98-27	98-08	98-11	36527
Japanese Govmt Bond	Dec 94	108.00	108.02	107.91	107.98	1335
	Mar 95				107.13	0
German Gov Bd Bund	Dec 94	88.31	88.64	88.25	88.40	97848
Previous open interest: 137258	Mar 95	87.65	87.75	87.60	87.60	207
German Gov Bd Bobl	Dec 94					
Previous open interest: 0						
Three month ECU	Sep 94	94.05	94.06	94.05	94.03	303
Previous open interest: 24404	Dec 94	93.40	93.42	93.38	93.39	1447
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 94	95.97	95.99	95.96	95.97	2958
Previous open interest: 53803	Dec 94	95.58	95.58	95.49	95.52	3808
Italian Govmt Bond	Dec 94	96.90	97.90	96.76	97.68	37174
Previous open interest: 64849	Mar 95				97.03	0

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 5¾ Finance Hse 5½

Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 4¾ Low 3½ Week fixed: 4¾

Treasury Bills (Dis):Buy: 2 mth 5½ : 3 mth 5¾ . Sell: 2 mth 5⅝ : 3 mth: 5⅝ .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5⅜-5¼	5½-5¾	5¾-5⅝	6¼-6	
Sterling Money Rates:	5⅜-5⅛	5⅝-5½	5$^{13}/_{16}$-5$^{11}/_{16}$	6⅜-6¼	7⅛-7¼
Interbank:	5⅝-5⅜	5¾-5½	5$^{13}/_{16}$-5$^{11}/_{16}$	6⅜-6¼	7⅜-7¼

Overnight: open 5 , close 3½ .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	5⅜	n/a	5¾	6⅜	7¼
Sterling CDs:	5⅜-5¼	5½-5⅜	5⅞-5¾	6⅜-6¼	7¼-7⅛
Dollar CDs:	4.78	n/a	4.98	5.39	5.92
Building Society CDs:	5⅜-5¼	5⅝-5½	5$^{13}/_{16}$-5$^{11}/_{16}$	6⅜-6¼	7⅜-7¼

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Aug 31, 1994 Agreed rates Sep 26, 1994 to Oct 25, 1994 Scheme III: 6.82%. Reference rate July 30, 1994 to Aug 31, 1994 Scheme IV & V: 5.578%.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	4¼-3¾	4⅞-4¾	5⅛-4$^{15}/_{16}$	5⅝-5½	4¼-4⅛
Deutschemark:	5-4¾	5-4$^{15}/_{16}$	5⅛-4$^{15}/_{16}$	5⅛-5	5-4
French Franc:	5⅝-5½	5⅝-5½	5⅝-5½	5$^{15}/_{16}$-5$^{13}/_{16}$	5⅝-4¾
Swiss Franc:	3⅝-3½	3⅝-3$^{11}/_{16}$	4-3⅞	4⅛-4⅛	4½-3½
Yen:	2⅛-2	2⅛-2⅛	2⅜-2¼	2½-2⅜	2⅛-1½

GOLD/PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $390.10-390.50 Close: $390.40-390.90 High: $390.40-390.90 Low: $389.00-389.50 AM: $390.15 PM: $389.90

Krugerrand: $390.00-393.00 (£249.00-251.00)

Platinum: $413.00 (£262.40) Silver: $5.45 (£3.475) Palladium: $152.25 (£96.75)

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Sept 19	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7249-2.7314	2.7249-2.7284	⅛pr-par	½-¼pr
Brussels	49.98-50.18	50.04-50.15	3pr-par	7-1pr
Copenhagen	9.5660-9.6150	9.5720-9.5870	¼-⅞ds	1⅞-2¾ds
Dublin	1.0116-1.0162	1.0121-1.0148	2pr-1ds	2-7ds
Frankfurt	2.4296-2.4363	2.4296-2.4328	⅛pr-par	⅜-¼pr
Lisbon	247.00-248.22	247.58-248.22	90-115ds	290-325ds
Madrid	201.50-202.37	201.60-201.90	34-43ds	110-123ds
Milan	2454.30-2467.90	2454.30-2458.40	5-7ds	17-19ds
Montreal	2.1159-2.1329	2.1159-2.1189	0.07pr-par	0.14-0.03pr
New York	1.5660-1.5778	1.5660-1.5670	0.08-0.06pr	0.26-0.24pr
Oslo	10.6570-10.6870	10.6580-10.6730	⅜-1⅛ds	2⅜-3¼ds
Paris	8.3040-8.3280	8.3040-8.3180	⅛-¼ds	⅜pr-par
Stockholm	11.6780-11.7250	11.6870-11.7110	1⅞-2½ds	6⅞-7¼ds
Tokyo	154.45-155.39	154.45-154.71	½-⅛pr	1⅜-1¼pr
Vienna	17.10-17.16	17.11-17.15	1½-¼pr	4½-2¾pr
Zurich	2.0183-2.0252	2.0187-2.0216	⅜-¼pr	1-¾pr

Source: Extel Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

DOLLAR RATES

Australia	1.3440-1.3449
Austria	10.89-10.90
Belgium (Com)	31.87-31.89
Canada	1.3512-1.3517
Denmark	6.0985-6.1045
France	5.2880-5.2910
Germany	1.5485-1.5490
Hong Kong	7.7271-7.7276
Ireland	1.5492-1.5517
Italy	1564.5-1565.5
Japan	98.50-98.60
Malaysia	2.5555-2.5562
Netherlands	1.7356-1.7361
Norway	6.7900-6.7920
Portugal	157.50-157.60
Singapore	1.4800-1.4805
Spain	128.70-128.80
Sweden	7.4325-7.4400
Switzerland	1.2855-1.2865

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.5688-1.5714
Australia dollar	2.1107-2.1128
Bahrain dinar	0.590-0.602
Brazil real*	1.3447-1.3488
Cyprus pound	0.735-0.745
Finland markka	7.7745-7.8905
Greece drachma	367.75-374.75
Hong Kong dollar	12.1377-12.1424
India rupee	49.12-50.08
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4655-0.4755
Malaysia ringgit	4.0142-4.0166
Mexico peso	5.35-5.45
New Zealand dollar	2.6015-2.6045
Pakistan rupee	47.93 buy
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.867-5.993
Singapore dollar	2.3252-2.3268
S Africa rand (fin)	6.8687-6.9202
S Africa rand (com)	5.5592-5.5676
U A E dirham	5.743-5.867

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank*

FT-SE VOLUMES

3i	3,800	Legal & Gn	130
ASDA Gp	5,700	Lloyds Bk	1,100
Abbey Natl	1,000	MEPC	393
Alld Domecq	2,400	Marks Spr	2,900
Argyll Gp	2,900	NatWst Bk	2,900
Arjo Wiggn	2,000	Nat Power	973
AB Foods	83	Nth Wst W	789
BAA	1,200	P & O	579
BAT Inds	2,100	Pearson	975
BOC	635	PowerGen	544
BP	4,000	Prudential	2,200
BTR	5,600	RMC	246
BT	4,400	RTZ	2,000
Bk of Scot	915	Rank Org	1,500
Barclays	3,800	Reckitt Col	427
Bass	914	Redland	511
Blue Circle	2,300	Reed Intl	1,000
Boots	696	Rentokil	480
Bowater	580	Reuters	1,300
Brit Aero	661	Rolls Royce	1,300
Brit Airwys	4,200	Ryl Ins	349
Brit Gas	5,100	Ryl Bk Scot	844
Brit Steel	6,600	Sainsbury	3,100
Burmah Cast	155	Schroders	140
Cable Wire	5,300	Scot & New	748
Cadbury	711	Scot Power	752
Caradon	1,000	Sears	2,500
Carlton Cms	1,400	Svrn Trent	906
Cm Union	494	Shell Trans	2,300
Courtaulds	761	Siebe	560
De La Rue	218	SmKl Bch	1,500
Eastern Elec	1,300	Smith Nph	2,000
Enterpr Oil	524	Southern Elec	517
Forte	1,500	Std Chartd	1,600
GKN	1,000	Sun Allnce	1,300
GRE	1,200	TI Gp	723
GUS	727	TSB	1,200
Gen Acc	141	Tesco	10,000
Gen Elec	2,400	Thames W	590
Glaxo	2,600	Thrn EMI	968
Granada	691	Tomkins	2,000
Grand Met	5,800	Unilever	795
Guinness	3,100	Utd Bisc	1,200
HSBC	1,800	Vodafone	5,100
Hanson	4,500	Warburg (SG)	478
ICI	1,300	Wellcome	1,800
Inchcape	663	Whitbread	919
Kingfisher	870	Wlms Hld	1,400
Ladbroke	494	Wolseley	575
Land Secs	629	Zeneca	1,700

WALL STREET

	Sep 19 midday	Sep 16 close
AMP Inc	73¾	73¾
AMR Corp	56¾	56
AT & T	55¾	55
Abbott Labs	31¼	30¾
Aetna Life	48¾	48¾
Ahmanson (HF)	22¾	22¾
Air Prod & Chem	48¾	48¾
Albertson's	29	28¾
Alcan Alumnm	27¾	27¾
Alco Standard	62¾	62¾
Allied Signal	36¾	36¾
Alum Co of Am	85¾	86¾
Amax Gold Inc	7	7
Amerada Hess	48	48¾
Amer Brands	34¾	34¾
Amer Cyanamid	98¾	98¾
Amer El Power	30	29¾
Amer Express	31¼	30¾
Amer Genl Corp	28¾	28¾
Amer Home Pr	58¾	57¾
Amer Intl	91¾	92¾
Amer Stores	24¾	25¾
Ameritech	41¾	41¾
Amoco	59¾	59
Anheuser-Busch	53¾	53¾
Apple Computer	36	36¾
Archer Daniels	24¾	24¾
Armco	6¾	6¾
Armstrng Wrld	47¾	48¾
Asarco	32¾	31¾
Ashland Oil	35¾	35¾
Atl Richfield	101¾	103¾
Auto Data Pro	56¾	56¾
Avery Dennison	35¾	34¾
Avon Products	59¾	60
Baker Hughes	18¾	19
Baltim Gas & El	21¾	21¾
Banc One	32¾	33
BankAmerica	48	47¾
Bank of NY	31¾	32¾
Bankers Tr NY	70	69¾
Barnett Banks	46¾	46¾
Bausch & Lomb	38¾	39
Baxter Intl	28¾	28¾
Bectn Dickinsn	46¾	45¾
Bell Atlantic	53¾	53¾
BellSouth	58¾	57¾
Black & Decker	22¾	22¾
Block (H&R)	46¾	45¾
Boeing	45¾	45¾
Boise Cascade	30	29¾
Borden Inc	13¾	14
Bristol Myrs Sq	58¾	58¾
Browning Ferris	30¾	30¾
Brunswick	21¾	21¾
Burlingtn Nthn	51¾	52
CBS	357	356¾
CNA Financial	61¾	61¾
CPC Intl	51¾	51¾
CSX	70¾	70¾
Campbell Soup	38¾	38¾
Can Pacific	17¾	17¾
Cptl Cities ABC	83¾	84¾
Carolina Pwr	25¾	25¾
Caterpillar	57¾	56¾
Central & SW	21¾	21¾
Champion Intl	37¾	37¾
Chase Manhat	35¾	36
Chemical Bk	36¾	37
Chevron Corp	42¾	42¾
Chrysler	47¾	47
Chubb Corp	71	71¾
Cigna Corp	63¾	63¾
Citicorp	45¾	44¾
Clorox	52	51¾
Coastal Corp	29¾	30
Coca Cola	48¾	47¾
Colgate-Palmolive	56	56¾
Columbia Gas	27¾	27¾
Compaq Comp	37¾	37¾
Comp Ass Int	43	42¾
Conagra	31¾	32¾
Cons Edison	23¾	23¾
Cons Nat Gas	39¾	40
Cons Rail	50¾	51¾
Cooper Inds	41¾	39¾
Corning Inc	31¾	31¾
Crown Cork	38¾	39
Dana Corp	28¾	28¾
Dayton Hudson	79¾	79¾
Deere	72¾	72¾
Delta Air Lines	46¾	47¾
Deluxe Corp	30¾	30¾
Detroit Edison	25	24¾
Digital Equip	26	24¾
Dillard Dept St	27¾	27¾
Disney (Walt)	41¾	41¾
Dominion Res	35¾	34¾
Donelley (RR)	30¾	30¾
Dover Corp	57	56¾
Dow Chemical	75¾	75¾
Dow Jones	30¾	30¾
Dresser	19¾	20
Duke Power	36¾	36¾
Dun & Bradstreet	59	58¾
Du Pont	59¾	59¾
Eastman Kodak	53¾	53¾
Eaton Corp	49	50
Emerson Elec	60¾	60¾
Engelhard Corp	28¾	27¾

	Sep 19 midday	Sep 16 close
Enron Corp	30¾	30¾
Entergy	23¾	23
Ethyl Corp	11¾	11¾
Exxon	60	58¾
FMC Corp	57¾	57¾
FPL Group	30¾	30¾
Federal Express	66¾	66¾
Fed Nat Mtge	85¾	85¾
First Chicago	48¾	48¾
First Interstate	82¾	82¾
First Union Rlty	6¾	6¾
Fleet Finl Grp	38¾	39
Fluor Corp	52	51¾
Ford Motor	28¾	28¾
GTE Corp	30¾	30¾
Gannett	49¾	49¾
Gap Inc Del	37¾	37¾
Gen Dynamics	45	45¾
Gen Electric	50¾	51¾
Gen Mills	55¾	55¾
Gen Motors	50¾	50¾
Gen Reinsurance	106¾	107¾
Gen Signal	35¾	35¾
Genuine Parts	34¾	34¾
Georgia Pac	74¾	72¾
Gillette	71¾	71¾
Glaxo ADR	18¾	18¾
Goodrich (BF)	44¾	45
Goodyear Tire	34¾	33¾
Grace (WR)	42¾	41¾
Grt Atl Pac Tea	23¾	23¾
Great Wstn Fin	20¾	20
Halliburton	30¾	30
Harcourt General	34¾	34¾
Heinz (HJ)	37	37¾
Hercules	105¾	105¾
Hershey Foods	44¾	44¾
Hewlett Packard	90¾	91¾
Hilton Hotels	62¾	61¾
Home Depot	45	44
Homestake Mng	19¾	19¾
Honeywell	36¾	36¾
Household Intl	38¾	38¾
Houston Inds	35¾	35
Humana	23	22¾
ITT Corp	81¾	82
Illinois Tool	41¾	42
Illinova	18¾	18¾
INCO	30¾	30¾
Ingersoll Rand	36¾	37¾
Inland Steel	40¾	40¾
Intel Corp	68	66¾
IBM	71	71
Intl Flav & Fr	42	42¾
Intl Paper	77¾	76¾
James River Va	24¾	24
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	50	49¾
Kellogg	55¾	55
Kerr-McGee	47¾	47¾
Kimberly-Clark	59¾	59¾
Kmart	18¾	18¾
Knight-Ridder	51¾	51¾
Lilly (Eli)	57¾	56
Limited Inc	20¾	20¾
LIN Brdcstng	138¾	139
Lincoln Nat	38	38
Litton	38¾	38¾
Liz Claiborne	22¾	22¾
Lockheed	72¾	72¾
Louisiana Pac	34¾	34¾
MCI Comm	24¾	24¾
Marriott Int	28¾	28¾
Marsh & McLen	79¾	79¾
Masco Corp	26¾	26¾
May Dept St	40¾	40¾
Maytag Corp	16¾	16¾
McCaw Cellular	56¾	54¾
McDonalds	27	27¾
McDonnell D	114¾	116¾
McGraw Hill	75¾	76¾
Mead Corp	50¾	49¾
Medtronic	97	96¾
Mellon Bk	58¾	58¾
Melville Corp	36¾	36¾
Merck Inc	34¾	34¾
Merrill Lynch	37¾	37
Minnesota Mng	57	58¾
Mobil Corp	79¾	79¾
Monsanto	85¾	85¾
Morgan (JP)	62¾	63
Motorola Inc	55	54¾
Natl Medical	18¾	19
Natl Semi	16¾	16¾
Natl Service Ind	26¾	26¾
Navistar Int	16¾	16
NBD Bancorp	30	30¾
NY Times A	23¾	23¾
Newmont Mng	43¾	43¾
Niag Mohawk	12¾	12
Nike B	64¾	65¾
NL Industries	11¾	11¾
Noram Energy	6¾	6¾
Nordstrom	45¾	45¾
Norfolk Sthrn	62	61¾
Nthn State Pwr	42	41¾
Norwest Corp	25¾	26¾
Nynex Corp	38¾	37¾
Occidental Pet	21¾	21¾
Ohio Edison	18¾	18¾
Oracle Systems	44¾	44

	Sep 19 midday	Sep 16 close
Oryx Energy Co	14¾	14¾
Owens Corning	34¾	34¾
PNC Financial	27¾	27¾
PPG Industries	42	41¾
Paccar Inc	48¾	48¾
Pacificorp	16¾	16¾
Pac Enterprises	21¾	21¾
Pac Gas & Elect	22¾	22¾
Pac Telesis	32¾	33¾
Pall Corp	16¾	16¾
Panhandle East	22¾	22¾
Parker Hannifin	41¾	41¾
Peco Energy	25¾	24¾
Penney (JC)	53¾	52¾
Pennzoil	50	49¾
Pepsico	33¾	33¾
Pfizer	65¾	64¾
Phelps Dodge	62¾	62¾
Philip Morris	60¾	59¾
Phillips Pet	33¾	33¾
Pitney Bowes	36¾	36¾
Polaroid	35¾	34¾
PriceCostco	15¾	15¾
Procter & Gmbl	60¾	60¾
Pub Serv E & G	25¾	25
Quaker Oats	79¾	78¾
Ralston Purina	41¾	41¾
Raychem Corp	39¾	40
Raytheon	66¾	66¾
Reebok Intl	38¾	38¾
Reynolds Metals	57¾	57¾
Roadway Srvcs	60¾	60¾
Rockwell Intl	36¾	36¾
Rohm & Haas	58¾	57¾
Royal Dutch	109¾	110¾
Rubbermaid	27¾	27¾
Safeco Corp	53¾	54
St Paul's Cos	41¾	41¾
Salomon Inc	41¾	41
Santa Fe Pac	22¾	16¾
Sara Lee Corp	22¾	22¾
Scecorp	12¾	12¾
Schering Plough	68¾	68¾
Schlumberger	55¾	55¾
Scott Paper	64¾	63¾
Seagram	32	31¾
Sears Roebuck	50¾	50¾
Shell Trans	67¾	67¾
Sherwin Wlms	33¾	32¾
Skyline Corp	20¾	21¾
Snap-On-Tools	36¾	36¾
Southern Co	17¾	17¾
Sthwestern Bell	41¾	41¾
Sprint Corp	39	39¾
Stanley Works	42¾	41¾
Sun Company	27¾	27¾
Sun Microsys	28¾	27¾
Suntrust	50	50¾
Supervalu	28¾	28¾
Syntex Corp	23¾	23¾
Sysco Corp	26¾	25¾
TRW Inc	74¾	73¾
TCC Inds	3	3
Tandem Comp	15¾	15¾
Tandy Corp	43¾	42¾
Teledyne	17¾	17¾
Temple Inland	54¾	53¾
Tenneco	46	46¾
Texaco	60¾	60¾
Texas Instr	78	77¾
Texas Utilities	30¾	30¾
Textron	54¾	54¾
Time Warner	38	36¾
Times-Mirror	32¾	32
Timken	38¾	38¾
Torchmark	43¾	43
Toys R Us	36¾	36¾
Transamerica	51¾	51
Travelers	34¾	35¾
Tribune	55¾	54¾
Tyco Labs	48	48¾
UST Inc	30¾	31
UAL	95¾	96
USX Marathon	17¾	17¾
Unicom	22¾	22
Unilever NV	113¾	113¾
Union Camp	49¾	50
Union Carbide	34¾	34¾
Union Pacific	56	56¾
Unisys Corp	10¾	10¾
USAIR Group	9¾	9¾
USF&G Corp	13¾	13¾
US Life	35¾	35
US West	39¾	39¾
United Tech	63¾	64
Unocal Corp	28	28
Upjohn	36	36¾
VF Corp	51¾	51¾
WMX Tech	28¾	28¾
Wal-Mart Stores	24¾	24¾
Warner-Lambert	81¾	80
Wells Fargo	154¾	156¾
Westinghouse El	14	13¾
Weyerhaeuser	44¾	43¾
Whirlpool	53¾	53¾
Whitman	17	16¾
Winn Dixie	50¾	50¾
Woolworth	17¾	17¾
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	48¾	41¾
Xerox	105¾	105¾

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Getting back on track to restore peace to railways

A shift by the RMT could signal an end to the dispute with Railtrack, says Philip Bassett



The fate of Friday's planned stoppage is likely to rest on substantive talks that all sides yesterday expected to take place straight away

Is this it? After three months of strikes, with 18 days of rail disruption spread over 13 weeks, is the signalworkers' action dragging itself towards a conclusion? To the obvious relief of virtually everyone involved, it finally looks like it: this seems like the end game. Hard talking is now set to start after the break-up of the logjam between Railtrack, the state-owned track company, and RMT, the rail union, which has prevented all talks since as far back as July 12.

The key that appears to have unlocked the problem already seems, in retrospect, so minor. Instead of each side saying they will not talk about what the other wants to discuss, the RMT is proposing "parallel negotiations", in which Railtrack's proposals for future efficiency gains through restructuring will be considered at the same time as the union's outstanding claim for payment for past productivity improvements.

Simple enough. But finding such a key, whether it was the arbitration proposed by Tony Blair, the Labour leader, or the refresher strike ballots suggested by Howard Davies, the CBI director-general, has proved impossible over the past three months, even for the nuance manipulators at Acas, the conciliation service, who will now be trying hard to act as a midwife in a final settlement.

Is the idea of parallel negotiations a concession by the RMT? Clearly, yes. Jimmy Knapp, the union's growlingly genial general secretary, denied yesterday it was a climbdown, insisting that someone had to take the initiative. But in the head-to-head conflict that drawn-out industrial disputes become, one side always blinks at some point; and in this dispute, it is the RMT that has blinked first.

Over the past three months, Railtrack has tried its hardest to find the key that the RMT has now provided — everything from apparently mesmerised inertia to unrealistically gung-ho consideration of sacking all the strikers and re-employing them on individual contracts based on new working practices. The company's management team eventually came up with some kind of strategy whose slowness of gestation was matched only by its slowness of success. It sought to crack open the dispute by opening up lines, by hoping that a gradually increasing number of services would rattle the signallers and that would, in turn, put pressure on the union to change its stance.

In one way, the company has failed. The number of RMT members who were on strike and who have returned to work is still startlingly small, at a claimed maximum of only about 10 per cent and, in reality, probably less. How many and how *normal* are the services that have been running remains a tendentious point in industrial disputes, as in war, truth is often the first casualty, and in this dispute truth has often been left badly bleeding by the side of tracks. But in a more important way, Railtrack has succeeded. Its refusal to give much ground in the long weeks of the strikes throughout the summer clearly rattled the belief of the signallers, RMT officials and leaders of other unions that they could win. Although that rising nervousness was not reflected in any significant cracking of the RMT's support, it combined with worries about the number of trains running and the possible loss of pension money from October 1 under the Government's pre-privatisation timetable for breaking up the rail industry to create the conditions for a shift by the union.

But in disputes, such shifts often have to find a mechanism through which they can be expressed. One of Railtrack's problems was a piece of pre-strike macho management under which rail employees are banned from speaking to the media on pain of dismissal. As a result, media commentators tended to draw only on national and local RMT officials, who, unsurprisingly, would not be the best conduit for any shift of grassroots opinion — so no shift was discernible.

Until the weekend that is. In the bleak September surroundings of Great Yarmouth, Railtrack's efforts to manufacture a mechanism for a *shift to be expressed* were thrust aside when the signallers themselves found their own. A conference of about 100 signalworkers seized on the idea of "parallel" negotiations that had been floated by Mr Knapp at a speech in Scotland, and drew up a formula that was put to the RMT's national executive yesterday afternoon. Railtrack and privately, some RMT officials were concerned yesterday that the political complexion of the union's governing executive, on which the left has a clear majority, might be enough to frustrate a move to talks. But RMT leaders knew yesterday that the one move that might well crack open the members' solid support for the strikes as early as the one-day stoppage due on Friday would be not an initiative from Railtrack but a rejection by the national executive of what the signallers themselves have now clearly indicated they want. Whether Friday's strike can yet be called off is questionable — indeed, to stay as the union has deftly done within the limits set by legislation on strike ballots, the RMT leadership is under pressure to set new strike dates on an insurance basis to keep alive the original strike mandate.

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The fate of Friday's planned stoppage is likely to rest on the substantive talks, almost certainly with Acas, which yesterday all sides were expecting to take place straight away. What can be achieved in them? And what is Railtrack after in terms of "restructuring"? Acas, Railtrack and the RMT have all been united on one point — that there is no point convening new talks unless there is something to talk about. After Great Yarmouth, there now is. But talks at Acas will not resolve every outstanding issue. The best bet looks likely to be some kind of framework agreement, enough to provide for a suspension of strike action and to trigger the October 1 pension payments date, leaving the detail of substantial restructuring to be hammered out in a joint working party.

What Railtrack and the RMT can get out of such a process is largely dependent on one point — what the Treasury will wear. Having in effect triggered the entire dispute by blocking a 5.7 per cent deal in early June (though other public-sector managers blame Railtrack for even telling the Government what it was intending to do) whether the dispute can be settled will rest on whether the Government allows it to be.

If the RMT's move at Great Yarmouth is enough to signal a reciprocal shift by the Treasury, then what is obtainable in the talks? Railtrack's offer package is still much as it was:

- A 2.5 per cent annual pay award, backdated to April;
- Six per cent added to basic rates for July-October, worth at present 3.2 per cent on earnings, although probably more if the talks prise from the company a greater element of consolidation into basic;
- A £250 lump sum to buy out cash wage payments.

Railtrack says this will give rises totalling 7.2 per cent, but that, in addition, further money would flow from a full negotiation of the changes in working practices the company wants to see, which it estimates would increase average earnings from next month by about 10 per cent. Railtrack would get a new grading and pay structure (including an end to many outmoded allowances) and flexible work rosters allowing for variable-length shifts within a 12-hour maximum. The company says the whole package would give signallers basic pay increases of 13-26 per cent, a shorter working week of 37 hours, and other improvements.

Into this mix will now be stirred the RMT's claim for an 11 per cent "interim" payment for past productivity improvements, although how the two elements will be fused together is as yet unclear. Whatever the blend, RMT members will retain their suspicions of it as the talks go on — *simply because many believe the* savings likely to accrue to Railtrack from such changes are worth far more than the £4.3 million the company says they will yield.

But based around the neat find-the-lady sleight of "parallel" negotiations (which will not mean two sets of talks, but is mainly a means to get one set going), a deal is now possible for the first time since June.

For British Rail and Railtrack, whose final bills for the dispute will *be a great deal less than the hundreds* of millions claimed to have been "lost", that will be welcome, — as it will for the signallers, whose earnings loss is now on average up to about £1,100. For the RMT, a deal will mean getting out from under, before things go further to the bad.

It all depends now, as it has done throughout, on the Government — whether the Great Yarmouth move is sufficient to sanction a settlement. All sides on Britain's battered railways — customers, management and staff — will be hoping it will be.

The Tunnel now standing at Waterloo

Eurotunnel test runs are ironing out the final few wrinkles. Ross Tieman reports

Last Friday morning, a £25 million Eurostar supertrain, its bogies and skirting coated with a pinkish *foreign* dust, nosed its way past stationary commuter trains into Waterloo station. The travellers, clustered in the first class accommodation, gazed out curiously: they had got up that morning in Paris, left the Gare du Nord only three hours earlier.

In the Waterloo International terminus, the presence of another Eurostar high-speed train, lined up waiting to depart, was ample evidence that train services between Britain and the Continent are now an everyday reality.

These inter-capital test and proving trains have been running for months, building reliability, ironing out bugs. But down at the Channel Tunnel signal control centre, on the outskirts of Folkestone, they are only a fraction of the daily traffic.

Fifty trains a day are now running through the Channel Tunnel. Freight trains carry cars from Birmingham to Milan. Lorry shuttles cruise back and forth *like clockwork every 30 minutes*. And car shuttles, the supposed linchpin of Eurotunnel's future prosperity, have already carried 10,000 trial vehicles.

For the first time since construction of the Tunnel began in 1987, it may be right to believe in Eurotunnel's opening plans. Sir Alastair Morton, Eurotunnel's co-chairman, used to say that services would begin on June 15, 1993. Then it was autumn 1993, spring 1994. They even started selling tickets in January, although, subsequently, had *to give the money back.*

A tunnel is a very complex series of systems: trains, signalling, cooling, ventilation all have to work impeccably. And a substantial part of the escalation in costs, from £4.7 billion to £10 billion, has been caused by tightening safety standards once construction began.

Few public services in Britain have faced a comparable level of scrutiny before implementation. Safety on our airlines, our underground railway and our football stadia has largely been developed in the light of disasters, rather than through forethought.

The consortium of French and British construction companies which originated the Tunnel project underestimated its complexity. Marrying up the different systems to work harmoniously together, has taken far longer than imagined. But, two full operating licences have already been approved by the intergovernmental commission (IGC) charged with ensuring safety in the Tunnel. The freight trains and lorry shuttles are no longer running trials; these are commercial services, vying with the cross-Channel ferries for traffic.

Tests for the third licence, for train services between London and Paris and Brussels, are complete. A formal licence application will *probably be filed this week*, and received by early October. The licence for the car-carrying shuttles should follow a few days later.

For the IGC has agreed to allow proving trials involving Eurotunnel shareholders and "opinion formers" to begin on October 3, in precisely two weeks time. The "overture" service, running five days a week from 8am to 8pm, will end six weeks later, on November 15. And after that? We shall see. Eurotunnel clearly has no wish to repeat its earlier public relations mistakes. *When it is ready, it will* announce services.

The publicans and hoteliers of Kent and Sussex should brace themselves for an influx of French-speaking vistors. The tunnel does not just connect Britain to the Continent. It connects the Continent to Britain. The overwhelming majority of the 30 million ferry passengers who cross the Channel every year are British. But the French are more numerous among Eurotunnel's shareholders.

The Tunnel's runaway *costs have lead to* repeated share issues, issues which have diluted the equity of the original investors hugely. Bank debt has mounted. The first shareholder dividend, forecast for 1997, is not now expected before 2003.

But despite all the hiccups, Eurotunnel seems to have got one element of its timing right. Services are *coming on stream as the* economies of Britain and France gather momentum. And cross-Channel traffic growth is running well ahead of the rise in economic output.

In future, the traffic will have to be shared between ferries and tunnel. And many travellers will be delighted to give the ferries a cold shoulder — when the *Tunnel is ready for them.*

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Mongolian pot goes cold

A high-level trade mission to Mongolia has been cancelled because of a lack of interest by both industrialists and the Foreign Office. The London Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the CBI set the tour in motion for next month. Companies involved in consumer goods, health care, building materials and fertilisers were among 12 identified by the chamber as likely to profit from the mission — the fourth the chamber has organised to Ulan Bator. But the trip been called off. Only seven companies expressed any interest in doing business with the Mongols and the minimum number was ten. It seems the Foreign Office promised that a government minister would accompany the delegation, but only if there was sufficient interest. The companies, meanwhile, said they would only go if there was a minister going. So it has ended up with no one going — "a chicken and egg situation" said a spokeswoman for the chamber, or, as a wag would say, "like a Mongolian cold pot".

Waiting in line

IN an article on the British and our strange queueing habits, *Harpers & Queen* notes there is a six to 18-month waiting list for a £216,000 classic Riva Aquarama Special motorboat; there are 100 people on an 18-month waiting list for a Purdey gun, which will set you back between £28,750 and £40,000; that you can wait two years to acquire the fashionable Bolognese dog; and that you might have to wait ten years for membership of the Hurlingham Club and 20 years for membership of the MCC. *Debrett's* lists only the first 30 of those queueing in line for succession to the throne — number 30 is claimed by Columbus, son of Lady Helen Taylor — and in the "interminable" waiting class there are 15 British bodies in a 350-strong queue of those currently in cryonic suspension in Arizona waiting to be revivified. The article might also have included under interminable "waiting for a dividend cheque from ... (fill in your own blanks)".

Subtle words

NEVER underestimate the subtlety or erudition of the British civil servant. Addressing a British Chambers of Commerce conference on investment between Britain and Japan yesterday, Lord Jenkin of Roding, the former Patrick Jenkin and one-time industry secretary, told of a traditional Japanese *haiku* composed by civil servants struggling to woo Japanese investors to Britain a decade ago: *We get fonder and fonder with Honda. But kissing with Nissan is missing.*



Lord Jenkin helping to woo the Japanese

Shanghai sinners

LONDON brokers can be thankful they are not on the Shanghai stock exchange, where the authorities are meting out new punishments for brokerages that fail three times in a month to settle their transactions. Their names are displayed on a public blacklist and fines equivalent of ten to 20 times their margin deposits are imposed. Repeat offenders may be barred from trading altogether. Have the Chinese gone soft, I wonder? In former days, they would have dragged errant brokers through the streets on the back of a cart with a "I have sinned" notice hanging from their necks.



"Should be quite a party."

By the book

JUST what every businessman needs: a revised edition of that bible of efficiency, *How to Gain an Extra Hour Every Day* (Thorsons, £7.99). Ray Joseph's book has sold 2.5 million copies since it was first published in 1955, and remains a number-cruncher's delight. Every day, says Joseph, is effectively a time bank from which you draw your assets in minutes and hours. Every morning, the bank credits you with 86,400 seconds (1,440 minutes). Every night, it makes irrecoverable whatever part you fail to invest to good purpose. Joseph writes off 480 minutes (eight hours) in sleep, and the same again in work, leaving readers to find that extra 60 minutes from among the rest. Unsurprisingly, the book has been a best-seller in Japan.

Going shopping

ROSEMARY Astles, who has spent 15 years with Thomson Tour Operations, is obviously tired of looking at duty-free shops at various world-wide airports, and has decided on a change of career. She has plumped for home shopping, and is off to join Freemans, the home shopping division of Sears, as marketing director at the end of next month. Freemans, which started up in 1905 and which has been operating out of the same Clapham, south London, headquarters since the 1930s, says Rosemary's database marketing skills will help its overall business development. But does Rosemary realise that Freemans has one million agents, two and a half million customers, and that it publishes 15 million catalogues every season, twice a year? That print run should be enough to stop her going through green channels at airports from here on.

Ear, ear

THERE is a whole new meaning to the phrase "Working Lunch", the title of the new business programme on BBC2. In thanking Professor Bhattacharyya of Warwick University for his role in getting the programme off the ground, Paul Gibbs, the editor, says: "He had Mrs Thatcher's ear, he now has Mr Heseltine's".

COLIN CAMPBELL

BUSINESS LETTERS

Opening an account for youth group is a hard task

From Mr Richard Buckley

Sir, I recently found myself appointed treasurer of a newly formed youth organisation. Last week, another office holder and myself, armed with two forms of identification and copies of a suitable resolution from our management committee, went to open a current account for the organisation.

The Abbey National's response was one of mild confusion, as if banking services weren't really their sort of thing. In fact, they were positively snooty about the whole business. They could open a Treasurer's account, we were told, but this was only a deposit account for large sums. A voluntary organisation was, in their opinion a business, and they did not provide current account facilities for businesses.

At Barclays, we were also told that it counted as a business account. We were told that they were only a sub-branch and could not process the inquiry themselves, but if we left our phone number, a business banker would contact us. The counter clerk could give no information at all on what charges the account might incur.

In desperation, we tried the (newly franchised) local post office to inquire about a Giro account. The man behind the counter was extremely helpful and thought that he could open an account for us, although he was not sure. Unfortunately, he could not find an application form. He did give us a leaflet with a free telephone help number. We phoned this number only to get an announcement saying that it closed at 4.30pm!

No doubt all three organisations have extensive staff training and customer care programmes. Unfortunately, their basic product seems to be flawed.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD BUCKLEY,
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Wembley Park.

On your bike to Northern Ireland

From Mr Charles Linford

Sir, Philip Bassett's guide to employment growth in the UK (September 14) excluded the area which has the worst unemployment, and yet the most exciting prospects for job seekers, Northern Ireland. His report failed to reflect the recent prediction by the CBI Northern Ireland, which anticipates the creation of up to 50,000 new jobs, 20 per cent from tourism, against an elimination of 20,000 jobs from the security-related sectors as a result of the 'Peace dividend'. This magnitude of change in a regional job market is unprecedented. Might he then have advised job seekers to join the international investors and tourists, by pointing their bikes at Ulster?

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES LINFORD,
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Confusion over similar company names

From Mr Graham Watts

Sir, On Friday, September 2 you ran a story on the front page of Section 2 of *The Times* entitled "Briton to face fraud charges in US". Within the body of the article you made reference to two legal entities, one which was referred to as "Continental Capital Markets".

I would like to point out that the company involved in the "Ponzi" scheme was Continental Capital Markets Inc, a New York registered firm, and not Continental Capital Markets Limited, now part of Bank of America.

Yours faithfully,
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Enterprise-cell idea is making progress

BY DEREK HARRIS

ENTERPRISE cells, piloted successfully in Derbyshire to generate small manufacturing businesses, are spreading elsewhere, so far in the North of England and in Scotland. By the end of next month, three new businesses on the cell principle should be open in Doncaster, another two in Barnsley and one in Dunoon, Strathclyde.

Funding is now being offered under a European Union scheme that may lead to another 20 cells operating in Scotland.

The enterprise cell idea came from Jeff Cooke, a director of the David Hall Partnership, a business consultancy based in Yorkshire, and Dr William Bolton, a Cambridge academic. They can suggest business ideas, having a database of more than 500 items, mostly small and simple, which could readily be produced in this country to substitute for imports.

The most crucial element is selecting people with complementary talents to form a management team, ideally of three to seven people. Techniques employed to do this include a psychometric test. Among those involved in early cells are a former bank manager, an engineer, a leisure industry manager and three former miners.

Training and enterprise councils (Tecs) or their Scottish equivalent, local enterprise companies, are centrally involved in launching a cell initiative, but extra help has been forthcoming. The pilot cell, Sealtight Gaskets, was launched in Chesterfield, supported by the North Derbyshire Tec, the Department of Trade and Industry (with its aid schemes), British Coal Enterprise (which can dispense soft loans) and the local authority.

Sealtight has broken even in its first year, and hopes to double turnover in its second and to start recruiting workers.

Tecs are attracted by the claim that cells create jobs for between a quarter and half the cost of other government-backed schemes.

Cells just starting include Swift Cars, at Barnsley, to produce aluminium-bodied sports cars. One Doncaster business will make camping equipment, and another low-energy light fittings.



"I've spent the past few years trying to avoid a different kind of wake"

Dog days end in kennels

BY RODNEY HOBSON

TOUGH times in the construction business caused Colin Taylor to switch from cranes to kennels. He turned his back on the Isle of Dogs and now looks for trade at dogs' homes. He describes his change of business as bizarre, but it has brought him from the brink of financial disaster

He had 30 people working for him eight years ago, when he assembled, tested and maintained cranes in east London during the Docklands building boom. Business was so good that he bought new premises and was on the point of moving when the Department of Transport slapped a compulsory purchase order on his old site, making it impossible to sell.

He says: "We fought every way we could, but it became a nightmare. We were spending a lot of money to move at a time of high interest rates." A protracted battle for compensation followed. Meanwhile, five years of prospective work in Iraq disappeared when the Gulf War broke out. Mr Taylor survived by making most of his staff redundant and letting out the two buildings on his new site.

Two years ago, he was approached to help to build two dog kennel blocks for the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The kennels, housing 16 dogs, had been designed by Wood Green Animal Shelters, an animal welfare charity. They were circular instead of the traditional straight run. Mr Taylor says: "The

JOHN McELLAN



Colin Taylor with a model of his circular kennel concept, which cost him £250,000 to develop

kennels were built of brick and proved to be an enormous success. The two most important elements in housing dogs are hygiene and avoidance of stress. This design keeps dogs in the most stress-free conditions. The building is insulated for heat and sound. Because it is circular, when a strange person or dog passes by, they are in view for a very short time. If the kennels are in a straight run, all the dogs see the stranger at the same time and they all bark." Wood Green granted Mr Taylor an exclusive licence to develop the concept. He spent £250,000 on design research and has created a version made of galvanised metal and composite boards that can be supplied as a flat pack. He has also created a new firm, Parasol Animal Housing.

Made by Parasol at Boreham, Essex, the pack costs £35,000 ex works. Mr Taylor says a comparable traditional kennel block would cost £75,000. "With 70 per cent occupancy and charging £5 a day for each dog, the payback time is two and a half years," he said. "We claim the design life of the kennels is 30 years, although we are sure they will last longer."

Mr Taylor employs his wife, who is an accountant, and two other people, one of them his son. After a successful reception at Cruft's Show, where he attracted almost 200 inquiries, he is contemplating offers of larger sites, including one in South Wales, to set up a full-scale manufacturing operation.

Running their own business made 5 per cent of entrepreneurs miserable, but 53 per cent are "very happy" being in charge, according to a new survey. Particularly contented were those running businesses of at least £1.5 million in annual sales, with nearly three quarters saying they are glad to have their own business. The strains involved in smaller businesses (turnover of £20,000 or less) emerged, with only 48 per cent content about running them. The insight into entrepreneurial attitudes came from work by the Small Business Research Trust for National Westminster Bank. Entrepreneurial optimism varies around the country. It is highest in the North. The least optimistic were in the South East and South West.

☐ Requirements for small high-technology companies in locating in a science park will be explored at a conference to be held at the University of Warwick on October 11. Conference fee is £125, or £95 to members of the Institute for Small Business Affairs. Details from Tracy Webster at the Warwick centre on 0203 523741 ext. 2818.

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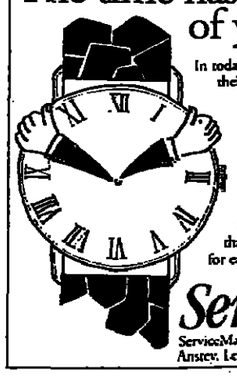
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1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
533	381	Abbey Nat	401 †	+6½	...	4.8	13.5
314	234	Allied Irish	245 †	...	...	3.1	9.4
220½	179½	Aus New Z	189	+2	...	5.0	28.4
3300	2637½	Bankamerica	3037½	-50	...	...	...
319	246	Bk of Ireland	280	...	...	4.7	8.1
247	172½	Bank Scotland	190	+4	...	3.2	10.3
640	487	Barclays	502 †	+6	...	3.5	18.3
37	13½	Cariblda	27 †	-1½	...	1.2	...
630½	449	Cater Allen	522	-1	...	6.7	10.3
180	130	Cattles	145 †	+1	...	4.5	15.6
2828½	1969½	Chase Manh	2290½	...	...	...	...
2917½	2262½	Citicorp	2837½	-37½	...	...	...
285½	209	Close Bros	222	+1	...	3.6	12.0
£150½	£121¼	Commerzbk	£129¼	-26⅝	...	6.3	...
£344½	£270½	Deutsche Bk	£292½	+54⅛	...	2.3	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	74	...	...	2.5	...
1549½	1152½	Fuji Bank Y	1329½	...	...	0.4	∞
515	395	Gerrard Nat	483	+1	22.0	5.7	13.0
1115	660	HSBC	717 †	+5½	...	4.3	10.4
1137	680	HSBC HK	737 †	+5	...	4.2	10.7
473	256	Hambros	276	...	...	4.8	11.3
443	400	Joseph (L)	438	...	...	5.2	12.2
170	130	King Shaxson	130	...	...	8.7	12.8
603	424	Kleinwort Ben	495 †	+1	...	4.9	8.7
600	519	Lloyds	536 †	+4½	...	5.2	10.9
119	95	Lon Scot Bk	118	...	...	3.8	17.8
630½	489½	Nat Aust Bk	492	...	...	5.7	10.3
622	421	Nat West	452 †	+8½	...	4.9	9.1
523	415	Provident	338 †	...	...	4.1	17.1
79	53	Rea Bros	65 †	...	...	1.8	16.7
528	377½	Roy Bk Scot	417	+9	...	3.6	18.9
1576	1050	Schroders	1595 †	-20	...	1.5	14.7
359½	223	Stand Chart	260 †	+5	...	3.1	8.9
291	197	TSB	222 †	+4½	...	4.5	11.3
109	108	Union	110 †	...	...	5.1	10.2
1012	676	Warburg SG	738	+8	...	3.7	9.0
£105	£612½	Wells Fargo	9806½	-61½	...	2.8	...
260	194	Westpac	215	...	...	2.5	∞
390	278	Wintrust	278 †	...	...	4.6	18.6

BREWERIES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
680	540	Allied Domecq	568	-3½	...	4.9	13.9
619	485	Bass	547	+1½	...	4.8	14.3
299	250	Boddington	265 †	-2	...	3.8	18.2
459	358	Bulmer (HP)	410	...	...	3.3	23.6
196	168	Burtonwd Brw	192	...	...	3.3	16.0
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'	150	...	...	2.9	22.1
66	49½	Fosters Brewing	54	-3	...	5.3	∞
493	402	Fullr Sm 'A'	404	...	...	2.4	16.7
506	375	Grand Met	409 †	-3½	...	4.1	17.8
511	399	Greenalls Grp	442	...	...	3.6	10.9
584	452	Greene King	518	-2	...	3.1	14.4
542	428	Guinness	483	+4½	...	3.5	15.0
265	239	Hardy Hanson	283	...	...	4.2	13.5
170	135	Heavitree	170	...	...	3.0	15.3
457	353	Highland Dist	429	...	...	2.0	20.3
3773	3125	Holt J	3725	+12	...	1.6	21.0
205	127	Macallan-Glen	202	...	...	0.7	55.7
695	365	Maclay Marston 'A'	695	...	...	1.2	28.6
246	195	Mansfield	236	...	...	2.3	14.4
314	256	Marston Thmp	301	-6	...	2.5	15.6
646	544	Matthew Clark	646 †	+3	...	3.5	14.4
250	113	Merrydown W	120 †	...	...	2.6	...
545	463	Morland	488	...	...	2.6	16.3
10½	8½	Paramount	8½	...	...	2.2	15.7
267	209	Regent Inns	242	...	...	2.1	24.6
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1234½	-6½	...	2.2	30.1
591	493	Scot & New	497	-3	...	4.3	14.8
190	142	Tamson Cider	157 †	-1	...	3.3	12.0
306	220	Vaux Group	249	-2	...	4.8	16.0
403½	324½	Wetherspoon JD	394	...	...	1.8	26.0
617	494	Whitbread	534	-6	...	4.4	15.5
589	493	Wolvrhmptn D	565	+2	...	2.9	15.9
180	148	Yates Bros	177	...	...	2.2	21.1
535	483	Young 'A'	500	...	...	3.8	19.2

BUILDING, ROADS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
235	135	Abbey	150 †	...	...	4.4	∞
27	12	Alfrighton	17 †	...	...	3.7	16.3
200	148	Allen	178	...	...	3.7	21.1
164	99	Amec	115	+3	...	3.7	65.5
454	333	Ashtead	435 †	+1	...	1.6	27.5
165	107	Attwoods	109	-1	...	5.7	...
363	224	BPB Ind	284	-3	...	3.6	19.2
142	93	Baggeridge Brk	122	...	...	3.2	23.0
41	32	Bailey (Ben) Con	35 †	...	...	2.5	21.4
88	18½	Barcom	35	...	...	6.2	4.2
60	38½	Beldon	42 †	-1½	...	6.0	...
292	175	Barratt Devs	177	-6	...	3.5	19.0
169	125	Beazer Homes	126	-4	...	3.0	11.1
304	198	Bellway	200	-1	...	3.9	18.8
59	42	Bellwinch	43	-½	...	...	∞
244	125	Berisford Intl	200	...	...	...	...
573	380	Berkeley Gp	385	...	...	2.3	15.9
215	118	Best Bros	184	...	...	1.9	9.2
93	60	Blockleys	71	...	...	1.8	...
391	262	Blue Circle	275 †	-8½	...	5.1	19.5
355	225	Boot (Henry)	275	...	...	3.0	14.0
84	35	Brandon Hire	78 †	...	...	2.4	∞
177	77	Breedon PLC	92	...	...	6.2	26.9
154	130	Br Dredging	136	-2	...	5.2	17.1
99	78	Brit Fittings	85	...	...	3.0	...
197½	134	Bryant	134	-1	...	4.5	20.6
145½	111½	CALA	128	...	...	2.5	...
409	321	CRH	372 †	-1	...	2.6	18.9
81	31	Cakebread Rby	48	...	...	...	...
42	23½	Costain	24	+½	...	...	...
185	130	Countryside	130	...	...	4.0	28.9
120	85	Crest Nicholson	90 †	...	...	2.2	19.7
140	100	Cussins	118 †	-½	...	3.6	14.3
30	19	Edmond Hldgs	22½	...	...	1.7	...
380	273	Epwin	323 †	...	...	3.1	19.2
82	57	Erith	73	...	...	1.7	41.1
473	328	Eve Group	328	...	...	4.2	∞
60	36	Galliford	36	...	...	3.5	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	98 †	...	...	3.4	...
1028	848	Gleeson (MJ)	868	...	...	1.9	14.8
218	170	Graham Grp	171	...	...	3.4	16.2
169	139	Hewden-Stuart	152	...	...	2.4	22.8
82	46	Hewetson	72 †	...	...	2.4	∞
473	324	Heywd Wms	324 †	-2	...	3.2	14.3
144	91	Higgs & Hill	91	...	...	3.4	...
41	32	How Gp	36	...	...	2.6	...
40	20	Howard Hldgs	26 †	...	...	3.8	...
100	67	Ibstock	70½	...	...	...	...
25	6	Jarvis	6	...	...	...	...
238	180	Keller	214	...	...	1.7	...
688	241	Laing (J)	241	-4	...	6.7	21.4
164	99½	-do- 6¼% Cv Pf	99½	-2	...	9.0	...
145	115	Ln Clydesdale	129	...	...	4.7	...
173	78	Lovell (YJ)	85	-1	...	...	...
405	332	Manders	338 †	-2	...	3.7	16.4
213½	139½	Marley	139 †	-1	...	3.8	16.5
155	126	Marshalls	140 †	...	...	3.8	17.1
233	196	Maunders (J)	235	...	...	2.8	22.7
321	194	Mcalpine (A)	199	...	...	4.1	20.2
76½	50½	McCarthy & S	60	...	...	1.0	...
569	378	Meyer Int	378	-9	...	3.6	15.9
189½	94	Mowlem (J)	105	...	...	2.4	...
202½	96	NSM	104½	-½	...	...	12.0
196	146	Newman Tnks	162 †	-½	...	5.0	20.5
379½	228	Persimmon	232 †	-14	...	5.0	17.4
20	9	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1550	...	20.0	2.4	22.0
158	120	Prowting	120	...	...	3.3	20.6
1079	805	RMC Gp	927	-10	...	2.8	26.2
116	68	Raine Ind	68	-1	...	3.7	14.8
40	21	Ransome	21	-1	...	...	...
640	466	Redland	505	+3	...	6.2	26.5
108	70	Roskel	104	...	4.3	5.2	...
185½	122	Rugby Group	122 †	-2	...	3.5	16.5
61	53	Secure Retire	55	...	...	...	...
67	50	Swift-Reed	64 †	...	6.7	1.5	30.1
200	155	Sharpe & Fisher	188	-5	...	3.0	20.4
288	222	Sheffield Insl	267 †	-3	...	2.6	21.4
382	235	Sherif Hldgs	384	...	...	1.5	24.0
158	94	Shorco	155 †	...	...	4.4	28.0
245	195	Smart (J)	225	...	...	4.7	19.4
5	1½	Summit	1½	...	...	...	...
206	135	Tarmac	139	-2	...	4.9	...
257	154	Tay Homes	159	-2	...	4.7	17.1
183	121	Taylor Woodrw	129 †	-1½	...	1.7	31.5
760	548	Tilbury Dougls	548	...	...	7.5	57.6
60	36	Tones Hire	58 †	...	...	1.9	30.2
370	274	Travis Perkins	288	-1	...	3.5	23.3
29½	15	Trencherwood	15	...	...	...	...
40½	23	Try Group	25	...	...	2.6	...
28	21	Tudor	23	-1	...	1.4	...
113	90	Vibroplant	108 †	-5	...	4.2	28.5
170	127½	Wainhomes	130½	-½	...	3.9	14.4
74	50	Ward Hldgs	58	-3	...	1.1	...
63	33	Waterhouse	61	...	...	...	...
545	450	Watts Blake	538	...	...	2.8	23.2
229½	151	Westbury	151	...	...	4.3	16.8
7	3½	Wiggins	5½	-½	...	...	...
571	373	Wilson Bowdn	373	-6	...	3.2	13.9
239	185	Wilson (C)	189 †	-6½	...	2.8	18.5
249	145	Wimpey G	146 †	-1	...	4.5	21.8
30	16	YRM	19	...	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
740	583	ADT	695	...	...	3.9	6.6
478	253	Adam & Harvey	478	...	...	6.8	14.0
83	58	Air-London	64	...	...	1.1	...
62	44	African Lakes	55	+1	...	...	12.1
140	92	Auto Sec	93	+1½	...	3.9	17.3
162	101½	BBT Ord	104	...	...	3.3	21.7
195	135	BNB Res	186	...	...	4.9	16.1
255	195	BPP	225 †	-1	...	4.9	12.5
186	147½	BSM	142½	-1½	...	5.4	∞
235	195	Barbour Index	195 †	...	...	...	...
1½	1	Black & Edge	1½	...	...	...	...
226	159	Brit Data Mgt	179	...	...	3.9	∞
31	22	Broadcastle	22	...	...	4.8	12.4
79	58	Brooks Service	70	...	...	2.7	...
117½	87	CRT Gp	92	...	...	4.4	22.6
238	158	Capita Group	174 †	...	...	2.0	22.2
59	30	Caster Plc	33	...	...	4.1	11.4
26½	7½	Chiltern Capital	22½	+¼	...	...	...
85	56	Christie	56	...	...	2.3	20.7
422	282	Chubb Sec	336	-2	...	0.5	23.7
65	41	Corp Services	63	...	...	1.0	...
97	52	Coutts Cnsltg	52	-1	...	...	...
179	140	Darr	147	...	...	3.1	15.7
276	212	Davis Service	236 †	-½	...	4.3	16.7
154	119	EW Fact	135	...	...	4.4	10.2
34	18½	Gardiner	19	...	...	2.5	21.7
334	261	Hays	281	+1	...	3.9	16.0
280	220	Hogg Robinson	228	-2	...	...	1.6
39	18	Holmes Protectn	26	...	...	...	...
365½	340	Hunt Whamp	312	+½	...	1.8	22.2
2695½	1781½	ISS B DKK	1803½	+25	...	5.8	1.8
609	408	Inchcape	426	+1	...	4.4	13.5
165	148	JBA Hldgs	148	...	...	2.0	15.0
414	299	Johnson Clean	299 †	...	...	5.2	10.5
8	4	Lep	8½	...	...	...	...
194	141½	Mitie Gp	184 †	+1½	...	1.4	22.7
1700½	1150½	Manpower	1268½	-18½	...	0.7	...
115	65	Michael Page	113 †	+1½	...	2.5	27.8
143	80	Parity	140 †	-½	...	2.0	36.6
115	85	Pennant	85	...	...	5.0	...
89½	60½	Proudfoot	79	-1	...	5.7	18.0
415	298	RCO	298 †	...	...	6.4	10.3
123	97	REA	97	...	...	6.1	46.9
177	104	Reed Executive	174 †	...	1.0	0.7	...
153	105	Reliance Secs	153 †	...	...	2.8	∞
279	199½	Rentokil	234 †	+1	...	1.6	24.1
195	167½	Rolfe & Nolan	190	...	...	2.6	28.6
302	243	Salvesen (C)	260	-1	...	3.5	15.1
68	43	Spear Pickerd	60	-1	...	1.9	∞
17½	9	Select Appt	13½	...	...	...	...
307	243	Serco Gp	288 †	-1	...	1.5	27.2
130	75	Shield Group	114	-1	...	1.9	...
130	99	Streetley	99	...	...	4.0	15.5
338	325	Warner Howard	328	...	...	2.8	15.6
30½	20½	Wills Gp	22½	...	...	2.2	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
150½	115½	Allied Colloids	137	...	...	2.1	22.0
1141	910	Amersham	991	+1	...	2.0	20.6
3½	1½	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
£140½	£106½	BASF DM	£130½	-78	...	7.2	...
373	287	BTP	312	-1	...	4.0	19.8
£160½	£129½	Bayer DM	£147½	-34⅜	...	4.1	...
171	97	Blagden	120	...	...	1.5	56.1
131	98	Brent Chemi	116½	...	...	4.2	...
520	311½	Brit Biotech	320	...	...	...	21.5
13	5½	Carid Gp	7½	...	...	...	...
199	153	Canning (W)	184	-2	...	4.8	32.3
580	467	Courtaulds	497	-4	...	3.9	38.5
389	327	Croda	368 †	-1½	...	2.9	18.8
133	95	Doulex	116	...	...	5.0	13.1
283	225	Ellis & Everard	265 †	...	...	3.6	19.6
58	35½	Euro Colour	57	...	...	2.5	20.3
390	337	Halstead (J)	389	...	...	3.2	18.2
223	160	Hickson	172 †	-1	...	5.8	15.4
£153½	£108½	Hoechst	£145½	-60⅛	...	5.2	...
250	153	Holliday Chem	228 †	...	...	2.3	19.5
868	728	ICI	843 †	-6½	...	4.1	60.0
893	704	Laporte	775	-5	...	3.4	20.3
248	190	Leigh	219 †	-3	...	4.5	20.0
95	48	MTM	87 †	...	...	8.7	...
2400½	1012½	Norsk Hydro	2390½	+43½	...	1.4	∞
625	461	Paterson Zoch	486	-3	...	3.3	13.1
595	416	-do- 'A'	471	-12	...	3.4	12.4
250	188	Plysu	190	...	...	4.6	27.2
349	265	Porvair	308 †	-½	...	1.8	23.1
66	32	Sutcliffe Speak	33 †	...	...	1.9	19.6
490	381	Wardle Storeys	415	...	...	5.2	21.7
775	570	Wolstenholme R	770	...	...	2.9	19.2
483	380	Yorks Chem	422 †	...	...	2.4	18.2
336	258	Yule Catto	288	...	...	2.6	22.6
969	692	Zeneca	833 †	+22½	...	4.2	16.7

DRAPERY, STORES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
348	203	Alders	217	-9	...	3.5	16.2
410	290	Argos Plc	305	-4	...	3.1	17.5
102	54½	Ashley (Laura)	66	...	...	0.2	...
357	183	Asprey	189	...	...	4.1	9.1
243	176	Austin Reed	241	...	...	2.9	13.5
168	139	Beattie (J) 'A'	141 †	+½	...	5.5	15.2
150	110	Bentalls	120	-1	...	1.8	48.4
65	49	Betterware	50	...	...	6.5	5.4
48	36	Blacks Leis	40 †	...	...	7.0	...
264	199	Body Shop	199	-3	...	1.3	18.7
601	504	Boots	522	-5	...	3.6	20.6
23½	2½	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
263	210	Brown (N)	262	...	...	1.9	25.2
74½	51	Burton	60½	-½	...	4.1	...
245	180	Castors	192	...	...	2.6	∞
590	538	Church	581 †	-1	...	3.2	28.7
171	96	Clinton Cards	102	...	...	5.8	8.8
287	200	Coats Viyella	208	+3½	...	5.0	17.7
170	108	Cty Casuals	108	...	...	5.0	11.0
903	740	Courts Furnish	772 †	-2	...	1.0	39.3
210	155	Crown Eyes	190 †	-2	...	6.2	8.3
137	83½	Dairy Farm Intl	60½	-2	...	3.9	13.0
143	97½	Dewhirst (D)	135 †	...	...	1.6	24.5
287	170	Dixons Grp	192 †	-1	...	4.3	20.4
11½	7½	ERA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
11½	8½	Eclipse Blinds	9½	...	...	2.5	...
380	330	Eye (Wholesale)	380	...	...	3.8	∞
284	191	Essex Furn	197	...	...	2.4	31.5
326	217	Etam	318	-6	...	2.0	22.6
558	494	Fine Art Dev	510	-3	14.3	3.5	15.8
50	48	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
725	680	Freemans	725 †	...	...	2.8	∞
278	126	French Connectn	271	...	...	...	15.3
78	48	Gent SR	77	-1	...	3.7	∞
127	85	Goldsmiths Gp	126	...	...	1.1	22.2
653	530½	GUS	530½	-10½	...	3.1	25.3
196	164	Hamleys	185	...	...	3.2	17.8
31	21	Hampden Grp	28	...	...	...	...
70½	13½	Hartstone	17½	...	...	2.5	...
91	64	Honeysuckle	74	-½	...	4.2	10.9
232	178	Hse of Fraser	214	-1	...	2.9	19.3
211	173	Jacques Vert	191 †	...	...	2.9	16.8
778	577	Kingfisher	479 †	-3½	...	3.9	11.7
88	64	Leslie Wise Gp	68 †	...	...	7.4	14.3
435	350	Liberty	350	...	...	1.7	43.4
380	277	Lloyds Chem	309	-1	...	3.2	10.2
184	135	MFI	138 †	...	...	3.6	17.3
460½	380	Marks Spencer	408½	+1½	...	2.8	19.0
680	354	Menzies (John)	584 †	-1½	...	2.5	18.4
343	238	Moss Bros	328	...	...	2.7	16.0
275	214	Next	245½	+½	...	3.5	14.8
91	39	Oliver (G)	91	+3	...	...	28.1
335	255	Oddjane Intl	265 †	-7	...	4.6	12.9
37	19½	Pentos	21	...	...	...	...
268	169	QS Hldgs	173	...	...	3.8	20.4
62	25	Rhino Grp	27	-5	...	2.3	9.8
209	154	[illegible]	154 †	...	...	3.9	18.0
180	113	Sherwood Gp	115	...	...	3.2	11.4
132	110	Sears	114½	-½	...	4.0	19.5
46	25½	Signet Group	33	...	...	...	16.7
549	450	Smith WH	473 †	-2	...	4.1	24.4
21	10½	Specialeyes	11	...	...	...	...
252	199	Storehouse	202	+2	...	3.4	18.0
198	146	T & S Stores	188	-2	...	4.1	14.0
173	124	Tie Rack	137	...	...	1.6	16.3
265	215	Time Products	232	...	...	4.6	18.0
132	105	Usher (Frank)	121	-1	...	7.5	∞
539	384	Vendome	517 †	-2	...	1.3	39.8
44	34	[illegible]	36	...	...	4.3	9.3
70	34	WEW Group	37	...	...	2.0	27.3
96	42	Wescom	91	...	...	2.7	32.1
129	91	Wickes	93	...	...	1.8	20.8
97	54	Wld of Leather	87 †	-1½	...	1.1	...
165	138	Wyevale	145	+1	...	4.0	15.0

ELECTRICALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	109	ACT Group	114	-1	...	5.8	10.7
296	248	Acal	280	+2	...	3.0	27.5
650	478	Admiral	648 †	...	...	1.3	19.0
198	163	Alba	193 †	-1	...	3.2	15.9
46	34	Alphameric	44	+1	...	...	33.6
50	26	Amstrad	30	...	...	2.1	...
110	73	App Holo	109	...	...	...	...
39	28	Arlen	33	...	...	...	...
94	78	Astec	88 †	...	...	1.3	21.8
281	171	Adam	173	...	...	2.2	14.0
320	239	Bellis Hunter	268 †	...	...	4.5	∞
478	378	BICC	378	-3	...	6.5	23.5
535	421	Blick	445	...	...	2.9	17.9
1100	697½	Borland	775	-25	...	...	...
380	305½	Bowthorpe	312	+1	...	2.8	27.4
486	353½	BT	380 †	+3½	...	3.5	13.2
367	236½	BT P/P	207½	+4	...	5.5	13.3
20	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19	...	...	1.8	13.8
79	55	Burnfield	76 †	...	...	3.0	39.1
543	394	Cable Wireless	405½	+4½	...	2.5	17.2
35½	24	Chloride	29½	...	...	...	70.7
283	248	CMT Micro	268	...	...	2.8	17.1
205	105	Comptr People	205	...	...	1.5	46.5
260	154	Cray Elect	183	-1	...	1.5	∞
457	412	Critchley	451	-3	...	2.2	20.3
586	467	Delta	473 †	-2½	...	3.9	21.0
663	440	Denmans Ele	603	...	...	1.4	16.8
580	440	Domino	539	-5	...	2.0	23.2
78	67	Dowding Mills	67 †	...	...	4.8	∞
1635	1220	Dracke	1500 †	...	...	0.9	27.9
580	462	Electrocomponts	468	-2	...	2.6	20.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	El Data Inc	158	...	...	1.5	14.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Electron House	162 †	-1	...	2.5	16.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Emess	24	...	...	0.4	...
451	343	Eurotherm	385 †	+12	...	1.6	22.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	FKI	172 †	-1	...	2.7	19.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Farnell Elect	340	-1	...	1.7	22.2
346	206	First Tech	248 †	...	...	1.3	∞
297	200	Forward Gp	210	...	...	3.0	12.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Forward Tech	48½	...	...	0.6	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	GEC	280 †	+2	...	4.7	14.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Graseby	162 †	...	...	4.6	15.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	14½	...	...	0.9	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ind-Control	145	...	...	3.9	12.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Jones Stroud	148 †	...	...	3.2	16.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	130	...	...	3.0	15.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	1.2	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kewill	380	...	...	3.0	18.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	263 †	+1	...	2.4	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	49	...	...	...	10.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	22	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	168	...	...	...	...
395	295	Lec Refrig	365	...	...	3.2	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Life Sciences	139 †	...	...	3.7	13.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Logica	321	...	...	2.0	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	LPA Inds	46	...	...	4.3	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	MR Data Mngmt	126	-4	...	5.5	14.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Macro 4	483 †	-8	...	5.2	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	259 †	...	...	2.0	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Micro Focus	825	+5	...	...	10.0
198	126	Microgen	129	-1	...	7.0	12.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Microvitec	36½	-1½	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Misys	436 †	-1	...	2.3	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	245	+6	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	MMT Compt	179	...	...	3.0	18.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	MTL Instr	319	...	...	1.6	20.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Murray Ent	126	...	...	2.0	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	NYNEX	2609½	...	...	...	...
128	[illegible]	Neotronics	76	-2	...	4.3	16.5
40	[illegible]	Newmark (L)	48	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	279	Norbain	438 †	...	...	0.6	∞
100	47	Northamber	93 †	...	...	1.1	39.5
9½	4	Oceonics	4	...	...	...	...
31	24	Orbis	26	...	0.5	2.5	...
388	277	Oxford Instr	330 †	+1	...	1.9	19.4
84	60	P & P	69	...	...	3.9	17.1
98	74½	Peek	87	-1	...	4.9	22.2
235	175	Pegasus	175 †	...	...	3.6	17.6
£115	9950	Philips Fn 4%	£115	...	...	5.0	...
2175	1400	-do- Lmp nv	2031½	-34½	...	0.9	9.2
440	236	Phonelink	268	...	...	...	...
359	283	Pifco	359 †	...	...	1.6	24.6
344	283	-do- 'A' Voting	344 †	...	...	1.6	23.6
140	70	Plasmec	131 †	-2½	...	3.6	...
129	100	Pressac	125	...	...	2.6	25.5
303	181	Psion	283 †	...	...	1.3	19.8
261	187	Racal Elect	233	-2	...	2.3	19.1
50	33	Radamec	45	...	...	4.7	13.6
48	27	Radius	45 †	+½	...	1.0	...
160	73	Real Time	169 †	...	...	2.0	∞
311	229	Renishaw	246	+14	...	2.3	17.9
615	507	Sage Gp	615	+5	...	2.1	16.6
94	77½	Sanderson Elec	80	...	...	4.0	...
49	19	Scantronic	32	...	...	3.3	∞
256	162	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	0.8	∞
431	310	Sema Gp	480 †	+2½	...	1.0	25.9
270	245	Servomex	252	...	...	3.1	29.4
49	37	Silvermines	40 †	...	...	2.5	23.8
94	63	Soundtracks	68 †	...	...	4.4	15.4
3225	2265½	TDK	2805½	-6½	...	1.2	∞
19	11	TDS Circuits	13½	...	...	...	...
170	83	Telemetrix	86	...	...	1.5	11.0
308	191	Telspec	301 †	+6	...	1.0	36.4
1165	979	THORN EMI	1008 †	+4	...	4.2	20.6
230	132	Thorpe FW	210	+3	...	1.7	18.8
43	22	Total Systems	31	...	...	...	33.2
305	215	Tunstall	247	...	...	1.8	17.7
363	258	Unitech	336 †	...	...	2.4	26.3
16	8½	Verity	9½	+½	...	...	...
31	27½	Vistec	25	+½	...	2.0	13.6
212	157½	Vodafone	183½	-3	...	1.9	24.0
483	395	Volex	425 †	...	...	5.3	18.6
31	20	Western Select	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
335	240	Wholesale Ftgs	284 †	-1	11.7	5.5	∞

ELECTRICITY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
787	537	East Midlands	737 †	+16	...	3.9	58.2
866	566	Eastern Elect	771 †	+4	...	3.7	16.9
477	322	Hydro-Elect	369 †	+2	...	4.3	11.7
753	534	London Elect	700	+12	...	4.0	10.7
871	635	Manweb	833	...	...	3.7	10.0
840	547	Midlands Elec	776 †	+3	...	3.7	11.9
520	404½	National Powr	475	+3	...	3.3	11.8
858	589	Northern Elec	786 †	-2	...	4.0	9.8
421	329	Nthn Ireland	370 †	...	...	3.8	10.1
850	587	Norweb	789 †	-1	...	3.6	10.4
602	449	PowerGen	542	+3	...	2.9	11.9
486	337½	Scottish Power	386 †	+8	...	4.0	12.2
453	299	Seeboard	426	-1	...	3.4	11.3
840	591	Sth Wales	812	-1	...	3.9	11.0
824	551	Sth Western	766 †	+3	...	3.8	10.2
837	540	Southern Elec	750 †	+5	...	3.8	11.7
795	537	Yorkshire Elec	738 †	+4	...	4.0	14.4

FINANCE, LAND

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	51	Aitken Hume	51 #	...	...	2.5	...
165	99	BWD	104 †	-2	...	5.0	8.5
110	96	Baltic Plc	117	-1	...	1.6	13.0
215	163	Biotec Inv	167	+2	...	...	...
757	623	Caledonia	723	+3	...	2.8	17.9
2650	1900	Camellia	2050	...	...	1.5	7.1
363	310	Candover	338 †	+4½	...	4.1	...
212	196	Exco	202	-4	...	3.2	11.0
465	367	Govett	387	...	...	4.8	6.3
250	185	Ivory Sime	227	...	...	4.1	17.7
428	165	Johnson Fry	165	-3	1.5	1.1	...
245	143	Lon Forfaiting	174	-1	...	6.8	10.7

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	44	Manakin	49	...	...	...	...
25½	8½	Nat Home Loan	16½	...	...	...	0.4
58	53	Newmarket	56	...	...	...	...
385	247	Rathbone Bro	275 †	...	...	3.9	14.4
29	21½	Rutland Tst	27	...	...	4.2	13.5
367	301½	S & U	332	-8	...	4.2	10.7
114	82	Singer & Fried	84 †	-½	...	4.7	10.8
1260	788	Sothebys	805 †	-22	...	3.5	34.7
188	131	STP Capital	135	...	...	2.8	8.3
224	165	Towry Law	167	...	...	3.4	16.4
2037½	1628½	Amer Express	1950 ‡	-62½	...	...	...
154	131	Brewin Dolphin	144 †	...	...	5.0	10.6
220	159	Gartmore	174 †	-1	...	2.9	20.1
1208	845	Henderson Ad	900	-3	...	6.0	14.6
251½	152	Invesco	167 †	...	...	2.8	27.4
317	214½	Jardine Strat	224½	+5½	...	2.9	11.5
323	267	MAI	255½	-27	...	3.0	∞
117½	99½	MAI 5.0% Cv Pf	98½	-½	...	...	...
735	538	MAM	638	-1	...	4.5	14.6
1243	794	M & G	993	...	...	3.5	20.8
486	342	Smith New Ct	425	-2	...	2.9	3.6
65	25	Trio Hldgs	31	...	...	6.0	14.1

FOODS

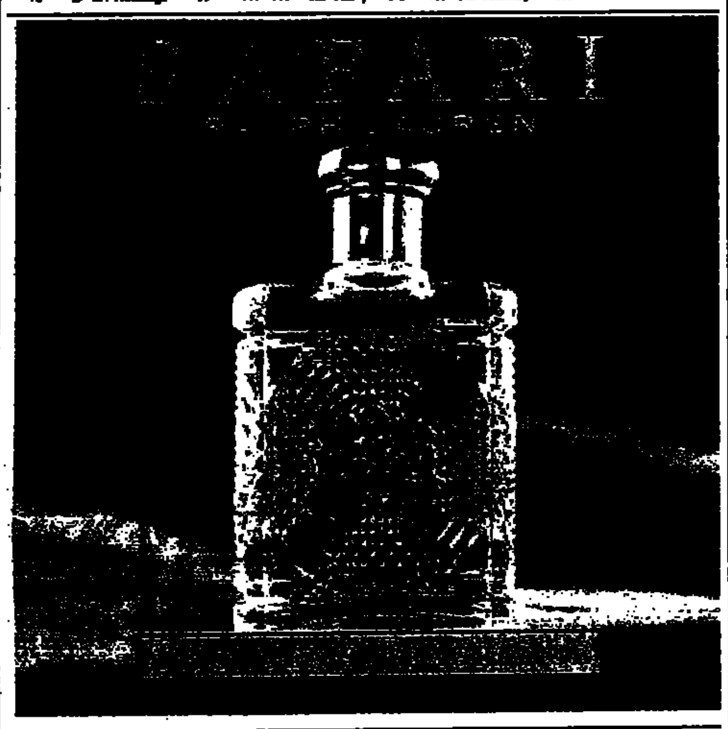
1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	490	AB Food	563 †	+1	...	3.3	11.0
68	52½	ASDA Group	67 †	+1	...	3.3	15.4
368	265	Acatos & Hutch	290	-3	...	3.7	11.6
74	44	Albert Fisher	51	...	...	9.2	11.3
315	222½	Argyll	298	+6	...	4.9	13.0
270	230	Banks (S.C)	260 †	...	...	4.7	10.0
371	305	Barr (AG)	371	...	...	2.3	23.9
72	42	Bensons Crisps	48	-4	...	5.6	15.9
481	378	Booker	444	-8	...	6.3	15.5
56½	48	Borthwick	51½	...	...	3.2	22.0
505	486	Brake Bros	417	...	...	2.0	15.5
43	24	Budgens	29 †	...	...	4.3	18.4
185	156	CPL Aromas	185	...	...	2.0	17.7
545	407	Cadbury-Schw	462 †	+6½	...	4.2	15.3
232	143	Carrs Milling	186	...	...	3.0	∞
187	130	Cranswick	164	...	...	6.3	13.7
17	11½	Culiens	16	...	...	...	...
154	60	Dalepak	119 †	...	...	1.6	∞
543	389	Dalgety	461	-5	...	5.9	11.9
87	50	Daniels S	54	...	...	0.7	...
294	219	Devro	232	...	...	3.4	15.5
101	60	Everest	60	...	...	5.3	∞
394	348	Farepak	350 †	...	...	2.4	19.9
8½	6	Farringford	6	...	...	...	...
85	66	Finlay (James)	79	-1	...	6.7	14.4
105	87	Fyffes	102	+4	...	1.7	17.5
371	193	Geest	220	+9	8.1	4.6	...
20½	14	Global	16	...	...	3.9	14.6
68	38	Grand Central	48	...	...	...	...
194	119	Hazlewood Fds	133 †	-7	...	6.3	8.1
198½	151	Hillsdown	180	-1	...	6.2	12.7
28	16	Hobson	22½	+1	...	...	...
211	133	Iceland Group	166 †	+1½	...	3.0	10.3
111	93	JLI Group	102	+1	...	5.9	14.4
655	523	Kwik Save	604	-3	...	3.9	10.5
376	138	Low (Wm)	309	+2	...	2.8	12.2
134	85	Matthews (B)	121	...	...	2.6	10.3
18	10½	Merchant Retail	12½	...	...	2.0	...
149	99	Morrison (W)	145	-½	...	0.9	16.9
246	205	Nichols (JN)	243 †	...	...	3.0	15.6
271½	197	Nthn Foods	209	...	...	5.3	10.2
14	9	Nthmbrn Fns	13	...	...	...	...
232	177	Nurdin Peacck	185 †	+2½	...	4.5	10.3
146	89½	Park Foods	130 †	...	...	2.3	26.3
81	62	Perkins Food	76 †	+½	...	7.3	12.8
141	109	PizzaExpress	125	...	...	0.5	26.4
5½	2	Regina Hlth	2½	...	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	436	-1	...	3.0	15.4
96	73	Sentry Farm	80	...	...	3.5	8.1
122	71	Sims Food	98 †	-3½	...	9.6	∞
497½	382	Tate & Lyle	444	+2½	...	3.7	11.0
255	200½	Tesco	251	...	...	3.9	13.0
198	162	Thorntons	183	...	...	2.6	...
238	145	[illegible]	212 †	...	...	2.4	17.3
434½	346	Unigate	350	-5	...	6.2	9.9
388	302	Utd Biscuits	315	...	...	6.2	13.1
21	8	Usborne	8½	...	...	4.9	6.3
422	279	Watson & Phil	376	...	...	4.9	15.2
49	34	West Trust	34 †	...	...	9.2	23.8

HOTELS, CATERERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
40	26	Abrdn Stk Hs	40	...	...	...	...
94	76	City Centre Rest	80 †	...	...	2.8	16.2
285	209½	Forte	219	-3	...	4.3	34.1
207	169	Friendly Hotels	187	-1	...	3.9	32.1
171½	142½	Jurys Hotel	171½	+¼	...	4.0	15.3
217½	153	Ladbroke	159 †	+3	...	2.7	28.1
109½	78½	Mandarin Orntl	89½	-½	...	3.6	23.3
31½	18½	Ryan Hotels IL	31½	...	...	4.1	18.0
1135	790	Savoy Hotel 'A'	913	...	...	0.5	...
92	60½	Stakis	85	-1	...	1.8	30.6

INDUSTRIALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
69	36	AAF Inds	39	...	...	...	...
544	413	AAH	425 †	...	...	5.3	15.1
185	119	AIM	145 †	...	...	3.9	38.7
138	72	APV	72	-2	...	7.6	...
220	157	ASW	188 †	-4	...	4.0	...
222	158	Adwest	175	-1	...	5.2	18.8
21½	14	Aerospace Eng	19 †	...	...	4.9	53.9
312	223	Airsprung	257	-3	...	2.3	16.0
230	192	Alexdn W	204	...	...	3.4	21.7
11½	5½	Allied Radio	6	...	...	...	...
350	283	Alumasc	325	...	...	2.3	18.1
73	39	Alvis	55½	...	...	2.3	38.6
780	705	Amber Ind	780	+5	...	3.2	16.2
65	47½	Amberley Gp	55	-1	...	2.3	∞
81	43	Aragon	58	...	...	...	...
95	50	Andrews Sykes	65	-7	...	...	...
363	199½	Antofagasta	320	...	...	1.3	25.9
62	48	Armour	56	...	...	4.1	∞
175	167	Ash & Lacy	168	...	...	4.8	20.3
7	3½	Ass Br Eng	4¼	...	...	1.5	35.0
639	474	Avon Rubber	610	-3	...	3.4	26.5
297½	248	Assoc Nursg	248	...	...	1.0	14.5
553	490	Atlas Equip	538	...	...	5.1	18.7
125	66	Ayrshire Metal	125 †	...	1.5	1.5	...
236	176	BBA	182 †	+1½	...	3.1	...
193	115	BEP Groups	174	-16	...	0.7	47.5
51	34½	BM Gp	48	+½	...	...	...
767	627	BOC	728	+5	...	4.0	30.7
89½	60½	BSG	65	...	...	6.2	40.6
578	495	BSS Group	552	...	...	4.0	23.0
401	315½	BTR	315½	-½	...	5.0	16.7
176	138	BWI	145	-1	...	5.8	18.3
47½	26½	Babcock	32½	-½	...	...	...
13	6½	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
270	216	Baird (Wm)	238	+1	...	4.7	20.0
568½	368½	Barlow	446½	...	...	0.7	...
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	78 †	-½	...	2.8	21.3
25½	17	Bearing Power	22½	...	...	4.2	14.3
85	23	Beaufort	33	...	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)	32	...	...	...	...
18½	11½	Benson Group	11½	-½	...	3.6	∞
395	243	Bespak	304 ‡	...	...	4.2	15.6
91	49	Bibby (J)	52	+1	...	4.8	...
226	143	Billam (J)	144	...	...	4.6	9.0
39	25	Bilston Bttrsea	38	-1	...	...	...
10	3½	Birmec Ind	6½ #	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	256 †	-1	...	2.9	18.8
48	30	Black Arrow	45 †	...	...	7.2	∞
290	233	Black (Peter)	277 †	-1	...	2.0	∞
290	135½	Bluebird Toys	236	-1	...	3.2	9.9
320	282	Bodycote	316	...	...	2.1	22.4
40	28	Bogod 'A'	28 †	-2	...	3.1	∞
75	43	Booth Inds	63	...	...	...	...
29½	17	Boustead	28 †	...	...	3.6	∞
524	409	Bowater	475 †	...	...	3.4	17.8
1831½	1378½	Bowater Inc	1809½	+18½	...	...	...
297	252	Bramore Inds	276	...	...	1.8	17.6
20	15	Brasway	17½	...	...	3.8	∞
320	288	Brammer	364 †	+1	...	4.5	23.7
31	18	Bridgend Gp	18	...	...	1.4	∞
171	120	Bridon	164	...	...	3.1	...
97	74	Bridport-Gndry	93	-1	...	3.0	...
57½	44½	Brierley Inv	48½	...	...	8.8	∞
235	190	Br Bldg & Eng	190	...	...	5.3	16.0
124	70	Br Bloodstock	74	...	...	...	66.4
515	435	Br Polythene	469	-2	...	3.3	16.3
164½	121½	Br Steel	150½	+3½	...	1.6	38.0
176	88	Br Thornton	88	...	...	8.5	∞
309	253	Br Vita	235 †	-1½	...	4.0	17.5
180½	136½	Britton Grp	152 ‡	...	...	2.1	22.4
988	773½	Broken Hill	954	-19	...	2.0	41.4
125	89	Bromsgrve Ind	94 †	-1	...	6.0	11.9
18½	6	Brooks Tool	14½	...	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	51	...	...	...	...
186	135	Bullough	159	...	...	4.8	26.1
16	8	Business Techn	8½ #	...	...	...	...
22	14	CI Group	17	...	...	3.7	69.3
54	31	Campbell & Arm	39	...	...	...	...
39	26	Cannon St	28	-¼	...	...	10.7
488	398	Cantab Pharms	398	...	...	...	...
278	234	Cape	256	...	...	5.4	16.3
455	270	Caradon	270 †	-3	...	4.1	20.3
215½	135½	-do- pf	135½	-2	7.2	6.7	...
293	251	Carclo Eng	259	...	...	4.4	16.9
10	6	Care UK	9½	...	...	...	...
2446½	1890½	Carnaud Mtl	2081½	-81½	...	2.3	10.0
104	80	Cassidy Bros	87	-2	...	4.0	11.2
155	110	Castings	140	...	...	2.3	17.2
66	32½	Cathay Intl	34	...	...	...	...
233	191	Celltech	207	...	...	...	...
200	155	Chamberlin Hill	160	...	...	5.1	10.1
836	636½	Charter	807	-4	...	3.5	23.0
380	272	Chemring	293	...	...	3.9	15.5
62	46	Chieftain Gp	56 †	...	...	7.8	11.2
246	152	Christies Int	171 †	...	...	1.5	30.2
80	60	Clayhithe	73	...	...	4.5	∞
698	403	Cohen (A)	510	...	3.4	0.8	...
297	232	Community H	255	...	...	3.6	14.5
263	187	Concentric	189	...	...	3.9	15.7
310	240	Cook (Wm)	283 †	-2	...	3.3	13.6
385	227	Cookson	245 †	+1½	...	3.3	22.2
117	81	Copymore	115 †	...	...	4.5	16.3
167	133	Crowell Plr 'A'	133	...	...	5.4	18.0
157	109	Cosalt	136	...	...	5.7	...
285	205	Creighton Nt	205	...	...	4.7	∞
44	31	CreamCare	33	...	...	3.9	...
2062½	18½	Dana	1831½	-25	...	...	...
380	288	Danka Bs Sys	308	...	...	0.6	26.3
296	220	David Brown	258	...	...	3.1	18.2
1021	825	De La Rue	935	-3	...	2.7	19.9
162	133	Denby Group	158	-1	...	2.5	15.4
82	35	Dinkie Heel	38	-4	...	4.7	9.8
628	460½	Diploma	471	-3	...	3.3	18.9
97	70	Dobson Park	82	...	...	5.7	16.2
134	102	Dyson (J&J)	109 †	...	...	4.0	∞
97	78	-do- 'A'	85 †	...	...	5.1	∞
16	13	EFG	13½	...	0.1	0.9	8.8
442	364	EIS	390	...	...	4.0	15.5
25	15	Elbief	18	...	...	...	...
53	41	Eleco	42	...	...	...	...
3756½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3228½	+18½	...	1.2	54.0
91	69	Ellion (B)	85	...	...	1.5	13.0
447½	321	Eng China Cl	373	+6	...	5.5	17.7
146	96	Environmed	125	...	...	0.2	...
3662½	2737½	Ericsson 'B'	3453½	-3½	...	1.1	28.9
86	56	Eurocopy	65	...	...	3.5	19.1
118	60	Expamet	103	-1	...	3.2	72.0
402	334½	Fairey Group	394 †	+½	...	2.0	20.8
148	109	Fenner	147	...	...	0.3	...
110	82	Ferruda Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
45	39	Ferrum	39	...	...	...	...
78	50	Fife Indmar	56 †	...	...	6.1	8.2
157	113	Fisons	121	-2	...	2.8	...
60	37	Fitzwilton	43 ‡	...	...	10.5	...
298	263	Flogas	298	...	...	2.8	12.3
51	38	Folkes Group nv	47	...	1.5	4.0	...
126	94	French (Thomas)	95	...	...	4.8	18.3
264	220	Frost Group	250 †	-½	...	2.7	26.5
88	77	GEI Int	83	...	...	2.3	23.3
660	530½	GKN	608 †	...	...	4.2	35.6
79	49	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
134	91	Garton Eng	130	...	...	4.3	35.2
191	136	Gestetner	150	-3	...	2.0	...
66	49	Glevum	63	...	...	2.0	40.4
725	520	Glaxo	572 †	+6	...	5.9	14.0
46	35½	Glenchewton	39	...	...	...	...
404	333	Glynwed	334	+1	...	4.4	19.3
209	125	Goode Durrant	194	...	...	3.9	15.2
185	143	Grampian Hd	149	-1	...	4.6	57.5
598	495	Granada	488 †	+2	...	2.3	19.5
775	462	Great Shires	723 †	...	...	3.3	25.6
85	71	Green (Ernst)	71	...	...	12.3	13.0
15½	11½	Greenacre	11½	...	...	3.5	16.1
85	61	Haden MacLn	79 †	...	...	3.2	20.4
122	90	Hadleigh	115 †	...	...	2.2	13.5
86	59	Halkin Hldgs	68	...	...	...	53.1
320	148	Hall Eng	148 †	...	...	6.8	8.5
256	204	Halma	226	...	...	1.3	26.8
73	47	Hampson Ind	73 †	...	...	3.4	13.9
302	239½	Hanson	242½	+1½	...	6.2	21.7
161	122	Harris (Philip)	150	...	...	5.7	18.5
220	152	Harrison Crsfld	171	-1	...	6.7	19.1
180	121	Havelock Euro	173	...	...	1.4	20.5
48	30	Hay (Norman)	30	...	...	...	...
50	33	Headway	34 †	-½	...	2.6	∞
511	293	Hepworth	293	-3	...	6.3	15.2
205	140	Hewitt (J)	140	...	...	2.9	...
75	52	High-Point	53	...	0.5	1.2	...
184½	143	Hill & Smith	143 †	-2	...	5.1	15.5
191	111	Holders Tech	119	...	...	6.3	12.9
63	39	Hopkinsons	57	...	...	2.9	...
216	176	Hornby	183	...	...	6.1	16.7
103	78	Howden	93 †	-2	...	3.3	14.9
292	234	Hozelock	273	-1	...	2.7	19.4
265	179	Hunting	180	...	...	6.9	35.6
513	402	Huntleigh Tech	428	...	...	1.3	24.7
379	268	IMI	299 †	+1	...	4.3	25.4
138	110	ISA Intl	127	...	...	1.7	16.9
165	45	Intercare Gp	47	...	...	9.3	5.0
325	284	Isotron	291	...	...	2.1	∞
710	409½	Jardine Math	594½	-7	...	2.4	14.1
628	488	Johnson Matth	582	+1	...	2.4	23.2
51	37	Johnson & FB	39½	...	...	1.1	...
294	149	Johnston	277	-5	...	0.9	...
32	25	Jones Shipman	31	...	...	...	...
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	31	...	...	4.1	30.3
191½	148½	Kalon	162 †	...	...	3.4	15.4
381	230	Kelsey Ind	296	...	...	3.4	...
875	730	Kershaw (A)	873 †	...	...	3.9	40.3
276	168	Kleeneze	168	-12	...	0.7	37.3
444	341	Laird	380	-1	...	3.6	17.7
145	110	Lilleshall	165 †	-1	...	3.6	17.3
229	205	Lincat	210	+1	...	4.0	∞
405	313	Linton Park	405	...	...	4.6	11.6
14	6½	Lionheart	6½	...	...	6.0	14.2
20½	15	Locker (T) A	17½	...	...	1.4	∞
152½	74	Lon Ind	86	...	...	...	...
175½	124½	Londin	134 †	+1	...	3.7	36.8
438	364	Low & Bonar	420 †	-4	...	3.1	16.8
49	41	ML Hldgs	47 †	...	...	2.3	16.3
67	49	MS Intl	49	...	...	6.4	28.6
70	45	MY Holdings	59	...	...	3.2	14.3



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271	223	Macfarlane	258 †	...	...	2.0	23.4
539	431	McKechnie	457	-1	...	4.0	21.9
127	100	McLeod Russel	117	...	...	6.5	18.2
104	70	Magnolia	74	-4	...	0.2	...
179	129	Mang Bronze	174	-3	...	2.5	19.6
26½	18½	Marling	25½	...	...	3.2	46.2
231	166	Mayborn	195 †	+1	...	3.8	13.6
64	53	Mayflower	57½	-1	...	3.1	23.2
187	120	Medeva	147 †	...	...	2.5	11.8
120	77½	Meggitt	80½	-1	...	6.2	11.8
120	101	Mcnair	109	...	...	4.2	18.1
128	99	Metrotect	102	+3	...	4.2	∞
133	99	Metsec	132	...	...	2.9	18.2
124	80	Midsums	81	...	...	...	11.3
589	548	Molins	548 †	-1½	...	3.6	11.0
408	326	Morgan Cble	332	+4½	...	4.9	16.4
217	176	Morris Ashby	208 †	...	...	3.6	∞
51	34	Neepsend	38 †	...	...	4.1	17.8
80	42	Nestor-BNA	44 †	+½	...	8.9	9.9
274	214	Nobo Gp	237 †	...	...	3.2	∞
212½	110	Norcros	125	+3	...	7.0	22.4
35	29½	Novo Group	31	...	...	4.4	10.0
64	48	OMI Intl	54½	-½	...	4.0	...
175	153	PCT	153 †	-2½	...	6.1	∞
91	66	Pacer Systems	71	...	...	6.9	23.0
46	31	Pascoe's	41	...	...	...	...
123	84	Pentland	102 †	+½	...	3.5	20.2
310	220	Photo-Me	260	...	4.7	2.3	15.6
208	162	Pilkington	191½	+1½	...	2.6	...
53	38	Plant & Gen	51	...	1.5	3.7	∞
185	152	Plastbrook	173	...	...	2.5	20.4
185	129	Polypipe	141	-2	...	2.1	∞
44	16	Porter Chadbrn	43	-½	...	...	...
341	218	Powerscreen	299	...	...	3.1	13.4
23½	16½	Prospect Inds	18½	...	...	5.5	10.0
77	56	RFS Group	69 †	...	...	4.7	14.3
108	75	Radiant Metal	75	...	...	...	...
447½	355½	Bank Org	406 †	-1	...	3.9	26.0
71	13	Ransomes	62	-1	...	...	...
723	551	Reckitt Colm	582	+4	...	3.9	14.4
95	70	Record	88	...	...	5.2	19.5
5½	3½	Reece	4	...	...	...	...
291	211	Relyon	256 †	+1	...	2.6	46.7
308	268	Renishaw	282	-1	...	2.9	35.5
185	126	Renold	183	...	...	1.7	25.4
539½	424	Reuters	477	+5	...	1.8	23.9
90	74	Rexmore	80 †	...	...	3.9	8.1
194	138	Ricardo Group	158	+3	...	4.6	18.5
73	54	Richard (Leics)	54	...	...	5.2	38.7
104½	82½	Richardson West	86 †	...	...	4.7	18.9
164	118½	Ropner	138 †	...	...	6.8	13.8
24	14½	Ross Gp	15	...	...	3.3	...
195	157	Rotork	169 †	+½	...	3.3	17.2
190	137	Rubicon	137 †	...	...	4.2	∞
103	62	Russell (A)	97	...	...	2.9	34.2
42	34½	SEP Indl	38½	-½	...	2.9	18.1
1459½	1087½	SKF 'B'	1128½	-50	...	...	...
272	186	Scapa	211	...	...	3.5	18.0
210	164	Scholl	169 †	...	...	4.7	16.2
285	242	Scotia	286	...	...	...	...
1543	1146	Securicor	1475 †	...	...	0.3	36.5
1069	785	-do- 'A'	997 †	-1	...	0.4	23.9
892	606	Security Serv	779 †	-1	...	0.9	24.2
150½	89½	Senior Eng	117	+½	...	3.7	18.9
356	291	Seton Health	353	-1	...	2.3	18.0
180	138	Shiloh	160	...	...	2.7	10.6
358	266	Sidlaw	270	...	...	5.0	13.2
630	517	Siebe	551 †	-6	...	2.5	17.2
378	194	Silentnight	217	...	...	4.6	12.4
196	137	Sime Darby	183	...	...	3.0	∞
130½	75	Simon Eng	105	-3	...	...	...
244	186	Sinclair (Wm)	198	-2	...	4.4	16.0
73	35	Six Hundred	73	...	...	2.6	...
159½	130½	Smith & Neph	147½	+½	...	4.3	16.1
485½	357½	Smithkline	450 †	+4½	...	3.2	16.7
422	322	Smithkline Uts	387 †	+4½	...	3.5	15.1
527½	429	Smiths Ind	434	-4	...	3.5	17.4
104	41	Stan Bus	59	...	...	7.9	9.2
278	155½	Spandex	275	-3	...	1.1	25.7
443	337	Spirax-Sarco	434½	-1	...	2.8	21.1
81½	45	Spring Ram	49	...	...	1.3	...
267	197	Staveley	206½	-½	...	5.1	60.4
287	197	Sterling Ind	255	...	...	3.1	22.9
220	179	Suter	179 ‡	-1	...	6.5	17.3
604	440½	Swire Pacific 'A'	520½	+5	...	1.8	∞
178	149	Syltone	168 †	...	...	3.7	18.6
435	351	TI	365 †	-5	...	3.9	20.2
44	31	TLS Range	38 †	-½	...	3.3	42.1
402	330	TT Group	377	...	...	2.2	∞
282	192	Takare	221	+1	2.0	1.2	19.3
852	656	Takeda Chem	776½	+10½	...	0.8	14.3
121	92	Tinsley (E)	121 †	...	...	5.8	19.7
220	197	Titan	197	...	...	2.7	16.7
283	213	Tomkins	225	-2	...	4.1	14.4
124	74½	Trafalgar H	88½	-½	...	1.4	...
105	63	Transfer Tech	73	...	...	5.7	7.8
163	130	Triplex Lloyd	142 †	...	...	6.2	∞
318	262	UniChem	304	...	...	2.7	17.1
440	265	Unidare	300	...	...	3.6	16.3
54	33	Unigroup	40	...	...	...	...
1247	958	Unilever	1121	-4	25.0	2.6	16.1
8118½	6496½	Unilever (NV)	7262½	-40½	...	3.0	14.7
18½	12	Utd Inds	15½	...	...	...	...
1093	816	VSEL	955	-2	...	4.4	9.2
31½	14½	Vernon	15½	-½	...	...	...
304	166	Vickers	172 †	+2	...	2.5	18.2
327	262	Vitalcare	253 †	...	...	3.8	14.5
522	451	Vinten	505	...	...	2.0	16.4
805	661	Vosper Thorny	715	-1	...	3.1	15.8
65	37	WSP Hldgs	60 †	-1	...	4.0	35.1
527	451	Wagon Ind	495 †	-3	...	4.5	25.2
200	60	Wakebourne	101	...	...	0.2	...
114	97	Walker Greenbk	110	-2	3.3	3.8	∞
328	246½	Wassall	297	-7	...	1.4	26.4
63	44	Watford Wdgwd	62	...	...	...	48.3
354½	240½	Weir	273	...	...	3.1	16.1
731	498	Wellcome	685 †	-28	...	3.2	15.6
220	196	Wellington Hdg	196 †	-½	...	3.3	16.9
39½	37½	Wellman	38½	...	...	2.9	62.8
400	294	West Hldcare	354 †	...	...	1.6	∞
548	430	Whatman	430	...	...	3.1	15.1
264	108	Wheway	122	-2	...	8.4	9.3
147	93	Whitecroft	140	...	...	1.8	22.1
13½	10	Widney	11	...	...	...	...
414½	329	Williams Hldg	335 †	-4	...	4.9	20.7
57	39½	Wilshaw	56 †	...	...	1.3	23.0
975	705	Wolseley	735	-2	...	2.5	17.8
155	155	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.7
69	40	Wyko	66 †	...	...	0.9	∞
96	70	Young (H)	79	-2	...	5.3	...

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1498½	937½	Alex & Alex	1293½	-25	...	5.1	...
2049½	1693½	Am Gen	1825	-67½	...	4.1	...
86	50½	Archer	52	...	...	2.4	...
165	89	Bradstock	100 †	...	...	6.9	11.5
550	370	Britannic	379 †	+3	...	4.1	...
117	90	CLM Insce	93	...	14	1.9	...
701½	481½	Com Union	518 ‡	...	...	4.8	19.5
1950	1663	Dom & Gen	1693	...	...	2.1	∞
64	33	FAI	38	...	...	1.2	...
194	144	Fenchurch Grp	155	...	...	5.8	13.8
757	533	Gen Accident	567	+7	...	6.3	9.0
247	161	GRE	188	+6	...	5.5	20.7
457	282	Heath C E	282	...	...	7.1	...
323	239	Independent Ins	267	-1	...	4.2	7.5
203	128½	JIB Group	136	...	...	7.0	12.1
547	407	Legal & Gen	457	+6	...	5.7	15.1
1375	965½	Liberty Life	1334½	+21½	...	7.8	5.1
119	93	LIMIT	96	-½	...	1.3	∞
471	322	Lloyds Abbey	355 †	-3	...	6.5	10.7
310	165	Lloyd Thomp	170	-1	7.1	5.2	10.6
185	159	Lombard Ins	184 †	...	...	5.2	∞
443	313	Londn & Man	327 †	+1½	...	6.2	16.3
236	190	Lowndes Lmb	198 ‡	...	...	4.7	12.5
5893½	5050	Marsh McLn	5050	-100	...	3.7	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	153	...	...	4.6	15.3
129½	109	Orion	121	-1	...	5.3	∞
83	38	PWS	43	...	...	8.7	...
385	271	Prudential	315	+6	...	5.5	14.8
404	261	Refuge	274	+2	...	5.2	20.2
350	232½	Royal	280 †	+2	...	4.0	7.0
222	157	Sedgwick	162 †	+1	...	4.6	18.3
155	105	Steel Burrill	124	...	...	9.1	...
87	54	Sturge Hldgs	59	...	...	6.4	71.0
418	285	Sun Alliance	323	+7	...	5.9	8.8
96	51	Trade Indemnty	64	-1	...	1.8	14.2
464	342	Transatlantic	342 †	-2	...	4.4	31.0
673	468	Utd Friendly	535 †	+2	...	4.0	27.5
245	133	Willis Corroon	154 †	+1	...	5.4	14.9
28	20	Windsor	21½	+½	...	...	16.9

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
339½	280	3i	331	-2½	...	2.5	...
2058	1703	Alliance	1812 †	-4	...	3.3	...
479	401	Anglo & O'seas	429	-1	...	2.1	...
161	123	BZW Conv	131	-1½	...	7.6	∞
219	173	Bankers	188½	-2½	...	2.5	...
381	311	Baring Tribne	342	-1	...	2.4	...
248	198	Berry Starq	227	-1	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	91½	Br Assets	97 †	...	...	5.6	...
98	89	Br Empire Sec	96	...	...	1.2	...
46	31	-do- Wnts	41	...	...	...	...
234	188	Br Inv	206	...	...	2.9	...
272	221	Brunner	246½	-1½	...	2.7	...
223	194	Contl Asset	205	-1	...	1.8	...
173	147	Derby Inc	161	...	...	12.2	...
328	268	-do- Cap	293	-2	...	...	...
100	73	Drayton Blue	82	-1	...	12.8	...
111	84	-do- Eng Intl	95	-1	...	1.1	...
156	128	-do- Far East	143 †	+½	...	0.6	...
784	613	Dunedin Inc G	660 †	-3	...	5.0	...
108	85	-do- Japan	92½	-1	...	...	...
80	45	-do- Warrants	49½	-½	...	...	...
341	292	Dunedin Smlr	324	-1	...	3.5	...
827	725	-do- Wwde	790	-3	...	1.5	...
360	281	Edinburgh	308	+1	...	3.6	...
354	286	Electra Inv	331	+2	...	2.7	...
220	185	Electric Gen	198 †	...	...	2.0	...
127	106	English Scot	116	...	...	...	...
345	286	European Asset	321	...	...	1.8	...
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	163	...	3.0	2.3	...
343	276½	Fleming Amer	306	-2½	...	0.4	...
145	75½	Fleming Chinese	85½	+½	...	...	...
92	42	-do- Warrants	45½	+½	...	...	...
267	196	-do- Claver	212 †	-½	...	3.2	...
385	305	-do- Contl	342	+1	...	0.8	...
264	190	-do- Emrg	210 †	-1	...	2.9	...
459	327	-do- F East	363	-1	1.5	0.5	...
422	359½	-do- Fledg	373 †	...	...	1.0	...
120	89	-do- Hi Inc	98 †	...	...	5.6	...
284	223	-do- Japan	259	-2	...	0.2	...
347	269½	-do- Merc	298 †	-1½	...	2.8	...
347½	280½	-do- Oseas	296	-1	...	1.8	∞
155½	128½	Foreign & Col	138 †	...	...	1.6	...
148	106½	-do- Emrg Mkts	138	+1	0.2	0.2	...
77	64½	-do- Enterprise	74	+½	...	1.0	...
261	216	-do- Eurotst	237	...	...	0.6	...
145	116	-do- German	132½	...	...	0.5	...
374	307	-do- Pacific	329	-1	...	0.9	...
192	159½	-do- Smaller	174	...	...	1.4	...
303	247	GT Japan	253	-1	...	0.6	∞
200	150	Genl Cons Cap	180	-1	...	...	...
115½	105	-do- Inc	110 †	...	...	9.0	...
191	139	Govett Am Smlr	145	...	...	...	...
151	101	-do- Emg Mkts	133 †	+½	...	0.2	...
96½	80	-do- Global Smlr	88	...	...	...	...
112	82	-do- High Inc	83 †	...	...	7.0	...
429	349	-do- Oriental	397	+½	...	0.3	...
346	239	Govett Strategic	251	-1	...	3.4	...
475	410	Greenfriar	439	-1	...	2.0	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	86	Herald	94	...	...	...	...
99	92	Intl Biotech	95	...	...	...	...
50	30	-do- Warrants	43	-2	...	...	...
158	122	Inv Cap	131	-1	...	4.9	...
119	94	IBS UK Smllr	109	-2	...	3.2	...
177	126	INVESCO Korea	165	+3½	...	...	...
243	196½	Kleinwort Chrt	209	-½	...	3.1	...
89½	79½	-do- Euro Prvt	80	-½	...	...	...
49	27½	-do- Euro Wrts	32	...	...	...	...
272½	232½	-do- O'seas	243½	...	...	1.7	...
165	134	-do- Smlr	139	...	...	2.8	...
826	672	Law Debenture	774 †	-4	...	3.1	...
227	190	Majedie	206	...	...	3.0	...
324	237	Merchants	267	-2	...	5.3	...
90	79½	Mercury Euro Pv	85½	...	...	...	...
45	28½	-do- Warrants	32½	-½	...	...	...
125	98	-do- World Mng	111	...	...	...	...
57½	35	-do- World Wts	42	...	...	...	...
2987½	2250	Merrill Lynch	2343½	-93½	...	...	...
595	492	Monks Inv Tst	541	...	...	1.6	...
158	127	Morg Gren Inc	133	-1	...	4.2	...
64	43	-do- Warrants	50	...	...	...	...
111	87	-do- Latin Amer	108½	...	...	...	...
66	39	-do- Warrants	62	...	...	...	...
148	114	Murray Ent	126 ‡	...	...	2.0	...
58	34	-do- Warrants	39	...	...	...	...
68	54	Murray Euro	61½	...	...	0.6	...
23½	16	-do- Wts	18	...	...	...	...
393	317	Murray Income	343 †	-1	...	4.3	...
395	319	-do- Intl	346	...	...	4.6	...
548	424	-do- Small	492 †	+1	...	1.1	...
97	82	-do- S/C Inc	89 †	...	...	14.9	...
174	135	-do- S/C Cap	148	...	...	...	...
3400	2975	-do- S/C Uts	3080 †	...	...	4.3	...
162	153	-do- S/C DP	157	-1	...	...	...
363	324	-do- Vent	333	...	...	4.1	...
95	61	Nwthrug Inc	64	...	...	9.3	...
404	333	O'seas Inv Tst	358	...	...	1.1	...
241	170	-do- Warrants	210	...	...	...	...
640½	433	Pacific Assets	533	-3	...	0.3	...
542	335	-do- Warrants	441	-3	...	...	...
9400	7000	Personal Assets	8500	...	195	2.0	...
189	164½	RIT Cap Ptnr	177½	-6	...	1.1	...
127	115	River & Merc	114 †	...	...	10.1	...
449	413	Robeco	440	...	...	2.0	...
463	415	Rolinco	442	...	...	1.8	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	325 †	...	...	3.0	...
183	150½	Scot American	162½	...	...	3.7	...
348	238	Scot Asian	290	-1	...	...	...
1070	665	-do- Warrants	808	+8	...	...	...
97½	77	-do- Eastern	82½	+½	...	2.4	...
262½	209½	Scottish	222	...	...	2.8	∞
264½	205	-do- Mrge	225	-½	...	2.3	...
133½	111½	-do- Value	114	-½	...	2.1	...
1795	1520	Second Alliance	1605 †	-1	...	3.3	∞
106	77½	Secs Tst of Scot	86	-½	...	4.7	...
179	148	Selective Asset	163	...	...	1.1	...
51½	41	Sphere Inv	43	-½	...	0.9	...
205	149	TR Far East	168 †	...	...	3.9	...
177½	133½	TR City Of Lon	143½	-5	...	4.6	∞
124½	86	TR Pacific	113	-1	...	0.2	...
43½	33½	TR Property	33½	...	...	3.3	...
152	113	TR Tech Inv	122	-2	...	1.8	...
228	182	TR Smlr Cos	199 †	-1	...	2.4	...
412	310	Temple Bar	348 †	-1	...	4.9	...
135	102	Thrmtn Asian E	114	+½	...	0.5	...
101	72½	Throgmorton	81½	+½	...	3.5	...
568	468	Throg Dual Cp	513	-7	...	...	...
269	233	USDC Invest	252	-1	...	3.2	...
129	104½	Value Inc Tst	115	...	...	4.3	...
257½	205	Witan	230	+1	...	3.2	...

LEISURE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
578½	417	Airtours	439	-4	...	2.6	15.2
46½	19	Ald Leis	23	-2	...	16.3	7.5
177	155	Alpha Airpts	162	...	...	3.1	∞
131	85	Baldwin	115 †	+1	...	3.8	19.6
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	277 †	...	...	4.5	11.5
365	231	Boosey Hwks	358	-2	...	1.7	21.6
205	133	Border TV	194	...	...	2.6	16.2
7½	3½	Brent Walker	4	...	...	...	...
170	100	Bristol Scots	166	...	...	...	...
7½	2½	Buckingham Inl	3	...	...	...	...
74	38	Campari	39	+1	...	...	...
439	328	Capital Radio	383	+3	...	2.0	33.6
1047	797	Carlton Comm	850	-4	...	2.9	18.8
375	248	Castle Comms	360	...	...	1.6	∞
213	114	Chrysalis	199	-14	3.2	2.0	...
374	305	Compass Gp	332	-1	...	2.6	19.5
290	232	Eurocamp	220	...	9.9	4.6	11.1
213	92	Euro Disney	105	-5	...	...	...
4	2½	Euro Leisure	3½	...	...	...	...
455	308	Fairline Boats	455	...	...	3.3	31.7
350	262	First Leisure	266 †	...	...	3.1	17.7
478	309	Flextech	427	+1	...	...	...
1033	675	GWR Gp	913 †	...	...	1.4	33.0
325	228	Grampian	325	+2	...	2.9	17.4
172	106	HTV Group	166	...	...	0.8	45.5
96	62	Hi-Tec Sports	80	...	...	4.3	11.8
18½	11½	Kunick	15½	...	...	...	...
263	200	London Clubs	257	...	...	5.8	13.1
702	539	Man Utd	684	...	...	3.7	27.6
15	13½	My Kinda Town	13½	...	...	...	...
61	34	Northern	57	...	...	2.2	11.0
130	81	Owners Abrd	121 †	+3½	...	3.6	...
102	65½	The Pelican Gp	101	...	...	1.4	∞
183	135	Prism Leisure	135	-1	...	3.0	9.5
43	28	Quadrant Grp	31	...	...	...	...
278	205	Ramsdens (H)	275 †	...	...	2.0	41.4
628	395	Scot Radio	600	...	...	2.2	23.4
574	353	Scot TV	443	-1	...	3.5	24.3
40½	22	SelecTV	23½	...	...	...	...
350	296½	Stanley Leisure	338	...	...	1.9	19.0
153	125	Sunset & Vine	129	...	3.5	3.4	19.7
345½	280	Tanjong	280	...	...	1.1	∞
167	75	Tottenham Hot	135	-9	...	2.8	∞
760	518	Ulster TV	683 †	+5½	...	3.2	25.6
150	129	VCI	145	...	...	4.7	13.0
149	112	Vardon	126	...	...	1.2	22.2
376	150	Yorkshire TV	383	...	...	...	...
130	110	Zeners Gp	129 †	...	...	8.2	∞

MINING

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3762½	2509½	Ang Am	3443½	-28½	...	2.1	32.2
3550	1762½	Ang Am Coal	3462½	...	...	2.6	18.8
7181½	4593½	Ang Am Gold	6825	+53½	...	3.6	20.1
36	26	Anglo Pac Resa	26	...	...	...	...
1512½	1190½	Ashanti	1190½	-43½	...	...	...
404	275	Bakyrchik	297	...	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	146½	+1½	...	...	...
37	14½	Bracken	14½	+½	...	6.1	40.8
898	580½	Buffels	717½	-½	...	7.6	∞
6	2½	Butte	3½	...	...	...	...
968	745½	CRA	917	-30	...	2.3	28.6
55½	36	Chiff Res	47½	-½	...	...	...
130	28½	Coal Inv	118	...	...	...	...
1750	1318½	De Beers	1543½	-56½	...	3.4	16.1
148	88	Deelkraal	114½	-2	...	3.1	∞
79½	30½	Doornfontein	76½	+½	...	...	...
1018½	665½	Driefontein	980½	-9½	...	4.4	∞
928	549½	Durban	805½	+31½	...	...	...
185	107	E Rand Gold	185	+3½	...	9.7	6.9
122½	59½	E Rand Prop	91½	+1	...	...	...
479½	300½	Elandsrand	474½	+4½	...	3.4	10.9
1239	741½	FS Cons	1056½	-5	...	6.6	10.8
80	27	FS Dev	76	...	...	...	...
1900	1193½	GFSA	1837½	...	...	2.1	∞
210½	108½	Gencor	201	-1½	...	1.3	∞
80½	53½	GM Kalgoorli	59	-8	...	2.4	21.8
22	14	Greenwich R 'A'	21½	+1	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	178½	-7½	...	5.0	∞
534½	319½	Harmony	534½	+14½	...	...	...
430	268½	Harties	385½	-1½	...	7.5	∞
1446½	831½	Impala Plat	1431½	+37½	...	1.8	43.7
1315½	890½	Kinross	1100	+43½	...	4.4	∞
1029½	568½	Kloof	990½	-13½	...	3.3	∞
137	69½	Leslie	111½	-11½	...	7.3	∞
346½	176½	Loraine	338	+½	...	...	...
1137½	887½	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	2.0	∞
162	118	MIM	142	-3	...	1.7	...
1762½	1227	Minorco	1606½	+6½	...	2.3	∞
201½	148½	Nth Brkn Hill	176	-14	...	3.0	25.9
899	790	RTZ	883	+15	...	3.0	25.0
500	187½	Rand Mines	462½	...	...	2.3	17.5
825	547½	Randfontein	789½	+12	...	4.1	∞
295	207	Renison	250	-5	...	...	...
1531½	1078½	Rustnbrg	1434½	+15½	...	2.1	∞
756	539½	St Helena	697½	+11	...	3.8	∞
2887½	1484½	Southvaal	2081½	+6½	...	4.2	23.9
137½	73	Stilfontein	134	+1½	...	20.1	∞
261½	90	Unisel	229½	+4½	...	2.0	∞
7600	4943½	Vaal Reefs	6568½	-59½	...	3.9	10.6
1051½	508½	Western Areas	1020½	+10½	...	7.1	∞
3362½	2050	Western Deep	3037½	-25	...	3.4	10.4
398	300½	Wstrn Mining	389	-5	...	1.0	∞
1225	603½	Winkels	828½	+9½	...	6.3	∞
66	50	Zambia Copper	59	...	...	...	...
68	48	Zandpan	65	...	...	7.6	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
283	233	Abbey Panels	278	...	...	...	...
140	108	Airflow Stream	140	...	3.0	2.7	21.1
175	118	Appleyard	118 †	...	...	6.1	20.8
405	268	Bletchley Mtr	275 †	+2	...	4.8	11.3
305	180	Bostrom	305	...	...	2.5	28.6
584	390	Br Aerospace	470	+6	...	2.2	42.1
57	42	Burndene	43	...	...	5.8	12.5
466	280	Caffyns	348	-2	...	4.1	23.5
22	13½	Caverdale	16½	...	...	1.1	16.7
130	98	Central Mtr	101 †	...	...	4.3	25.0
51	32½	Cook (DC)	42 †	...	...	3.0	∞
348	229	Cowie	229	...	...	4.5	11.2
192½	127	Dag Motors	153	...	...	5.1	17.6
158	113	Davnpt Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
332	275	ERF	318	...	...	0.8	...
234	218	Eurodollar	218	...	...	4.9	17.1
173	114	European Mtr	114 ‡	-2	...	4.7	11.9
539½	399	Evans Halshaw	415 †	-1	...	4.3	13.0
310	235	FR Group	296	-1	...	3.2	16.2
2399½	1806½	Ford Motor	1812½	-31½	...	...	...
4387½	3112½	General Mtr	3200	-68½	...	1.6	...
90	60	Gowrings	77 †	...	...	3.2	...
342½	260½	Henlys	287 †	...	...	3.3	15.4
1239	918½	Honda Motor	1036½	-1½	...	0.4	...
68	35	Jacks (Wm)	63	...	...	...	21.9
184	145	Kwik-Fit	159	-1	...	3.2	18.0
573	373	Lex Service	373	...	...	4.5	14.3
282	162	Lookers	223 †	...	...	3.9	13.9
239	158	Lucas	193	+5½	...	4.5	...
29½	24	Malaya Grp	24 †	...	...	1.3	...
310	246	Pendragon	246 †	-½	...	3.8	17.5
238	173	Perry Gp	175	...	...	5.1	9.4
218	153	Quicks Group	153 †	...	...	4.3	16.1
336	261	Rolls-Royce	182 †	-3½	...	3.4	32.1
261	203	T & N	224 †	+4	...	6.1	25.6
333	263	Trinity Hldgs	329	+1	...	2.4	23.8
221	163	Vardy (Reg)	166 †	+4	...	3.4	15.9

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
355	198	Adscene	294 †	...	...	2.8	21.0
345	320	Black (A&C)	345	...	...	4.9	14.6
402	213	Blenheim Gp	229	+16	...	5.7	8.4
413	365	Bristol	376	...	...	4.1	26.0
1650	1100	Daily Mail	1350	...	...	1.4	31.6
1484½	868½	Daily Mail 'A'	968½	...	...	2.0	22.7
314	260	Dorling Kind	300	-4	...	1.4	27.1
6712½	5381½	Elsevier	5971½	-37½	...	3.2	10.3
469	361½	EMAP	373 †	-5	...	2.9	23.2
1975	1450	Euromoney Pb	1825	...	...	2.8	32.1
194	32	Harrington K	65 †	+1	...	5.2	∞
515	328	Haynes Pub	443 †	...	...	2.5	∞
408	340	Hodder H'line	348	...	...	1.8	56.7
180	120	Home Counts	174 †	+2½	...	3.6	42.6
237	161	Intl Bus Comm	231 †	-½	...	1.9	15.2
15	8	Int Cm & Data	10	...	...	...	...
340	273½	Independent	298 †	...	...	2.5	10.1
669	551	Johnston Press	620	...	...	1.5	22.7
110	43	MAID	62	...	...	...	...
492	338	Metal Bulletin	484 †	...	...	2.9	25.2
177½	136	Midland Ind	140	...	...	2.5	19.0
203	123	Mirror Gp	128	-1	...	1.0	0.7
514½	382½	News Corp	407	-4	...	0.3	∞
314	224	News Intl	239 †	+1	...	0.8	∞
735	570	Pearson	583 †	-6	...	2.9	20.1
760	670	Portsmth Sund	677	...	...	2.0	16.7
964	734	Reed Intl	741 †	-4	...	3.3	22.4
249	187	Southnews	228	...	...	1.6	29.9
200	143	Sterling Pub	146 †	...	...	3.1	12.5
632	323	Telegraph	340 †	+4	...	4.8	12.0
885	695	Thomson Corp	765	...	30.1	4.9	38.2
472	394	Trinity Intl	404 †	-½	...	3.1	20.0
45	18½	Uni Groupe	36	...	...	...	...
731	479	Utd Nwspaprs	508	+3	...	5.4	13.9

OILS, GAS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
39½	24½	Aran Energy	35½	...	...	...	21.5
53	35	Arcolo Intl	46	...	...	...	...
74½	59	Aus Oil & Gas	60½	+½	...	...	...
67	43	Aviva Pet	46	...	...	...	...
9	6	Beverley	6½ #	...	...	...	64.6
349	197	Br Borneo	227 †	...	...	3.0	10.7
358	253	British Gas	303	+9½	...	6.1	...
430	340	Br Petroleum	417 †	+3½	...	2.8	22.8
3½	1½	Bula Resources	3½ #	...	...	...	...
919	811	Burmah Castrl	892	+3	...	3.0	17.5
84	56	Cairn Energy	75	...	...	...	41.3
375	261	Calor Gp	299	...	...	5.3	14.1
51	33	Clyde Pet	39 †	-½	...	1.1	...
30	14½	Coplex Res	14½	+½	...	...	...
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gas	21½	...	...	...	23.2
486	370	Enterprise	398 †	+9½	...	5.0	...
26½	21	Fairhaven Intl	22½	...	...	5.4	0.2
8½	4½	Fortune	6½	+½	...	...	...
77	54	Goal Pet	68½	-½	...	2.6	18.1
46	31	Gt Western Res	42	...	...	...	...
177	139	Hardy O & G	142	...	...	0.9	18.2
55	40	Kelt Energy	51	...	...	3.3	...
169	110½	LASMO	158	+1	...	0.8	...
73	53	-do- Units	59	...	9.4	20.0	...
75	55	Monument	71½	-½	...	...	76.7
7½	4	New London	4½	...	...	...	...
50	36	Oil Search	43	...	...	...	...
50½	17½	Petrex	39½	+2½	...	...	...
168	153	Plus Pet	158	...	...	...	∞
111	100	Pitencrieff Rs	105	...	...	...	15.1
32½	21½	Premier	27½	-½	...	...	...
158	118	Presidio	128	...	...	5.2	...
282	129	Ramco Egy	222½	-16½	...	0.2	...
463	325	Ranger	405	...	...	5.0	...
7700	6681½	Royal Dtch Pl	6921½	-121½	...	4.6	18.0
4084½	3461½	Schlumberger	3546½	-34½	...	2.2	...
65	50	Seafield	61	...	...	...	...
756	651	Shell	718	+7½	...	4.4	21.4
197	129	Sunrise Eng Sv	129	...	...	...	...
10	6½	Villers Grp	11½	...	...	...	...
237	178½	Woodside	218	-4	...	1.7	...
110	28	XCL	75	...	...	...	...

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1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
184	145	AG Holdings	147	...	...	4.5	15.3
444	374	API	374	...	...	2.9	23.5
316	237	Arjo Wiggins	258 †	-7½	...	3.1	38.9
730	540	Abbott Mead	675	...	...	1.9	35.9
33	17½	Aegis Gp	25	-½	...	...	...
306	145	Aspen Comms	168 †	+½	...	3.6	67.4
26	18	BBB Design	20	...	...	...	10.3
472	408	Bemrose	408	-4	...	3.8	14.4
13½	6½	Birkdale	6½	...	...	...	...
186	139	Bunzl	164	...	...	3.2	19.1
169	117½	CIA Gp	141 †	...	...	1.5	22.8
196	129	Capital Inds	189	...	...	3.0	14.7
36	31	Chime Comm	31	...	...	...	...
99	76	City of Lon	92	...	...	6.0	14.0
439	304	Cropper (James)	319	...	...	1.4	16.0
114	80	Delyn Group	83	+1	...	2.5	15.1
137	104	Dolphin Pack	123	...	...	4.6	15.8
83	71	Dudley Jenkins	73 †	...	...	5.6	16.2
17½	12	Elswick	17½	...	...	2.4	19.0
101	75	Fairway Group	92 †	...	...	4.7	17.2
430	341	Ferguson Intl	342	...	...	4.6	14.6
145	128	Ferry Pick	128	...	...	5.7	...
227	168	Filofax	209 †	...	...	1.0	30.7
17½	8	Fitch	12	...	...	...	...
149	132	Gibbon Lyons	139 †	...	...	4.9	13.0
275	171	Gold Greenless	179 †	...	...	3.7	∞
34	23	Goodhead	28	...	...	0.2	∞
30	3	Hunterprint	4	-½	...	...	...
162	128	Intereurope	129	...	...	7.6	11.7
281½	248	Jarvis Porter	280	...	...	2.3	20.1
39½	22	Lopex	27	...	...	1.2	30.5
431	344	More O'Ferrall	383	-2	...	4.3	22.1
425	330	Osborne & Little	410	...	...	2.0	14.9
60	32	Osprey Comms	56	...	...	0.2	...
820	513	Portals	678	+11	...	3.1	18.2
5	1½	Premier Hlth	2	...	...	...	...
339	260	Quarto	260	-1	...	2.9	14.0
412	322	St Ives Gp	356	-1	...	2.1	25.0
176	127	Saatchi	166	+1	...	...	32.3
902½	464½	Sappi	869	+8½	...	11.7	5.3
30½	18	Serif	18½	...	...	...	...
57	20½	Shandwick	52	...	...	1.0	7.8
573	348	Smith David	544 †	-2	...	2.5	24.3
439	286	Smurfit (Jeff)	433	-1	...	1.2	61.6
119	84	Somic	86	+2	...	3.6	9.2
254	202	Sta-Plus	202	-2	...	5.8	16.7
40½	25½	Taylor Nelson	35	...	...	2.0	32.3
161	118½	VTR	135	...	...	3.7	21.4
36½	25	WMGO	26½	-½	...	2.4	13.0
129	63½	WPP	115	...	...	1.1	∞
270	182	Wace	242 †	+3	...	2.1	23.5
291	209	Waddington (J)	229	...	...	4.6	11.2
511	368	Watmough	369 †	+½	...	2.3	23.4
45	29	Whitney McKa	42	-1	...	...	...
132	98	Wyndeham	129	...	...	2.2	16.7

PROPERTY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
130	99	Allied Lon	108	...	...	4.2	14.5
48	36	Arcadian	42	...	...	...	...
276	253	Argent	270	-1	...	...	...
10½	3½	Ascot Hldgs	3½	...	...	...	...
144	109	Asda	115	...	...	2.4	20.4
191	113	Avonside	130 †	+1	...	4.2	15.3
2575	2096½	BCE	2271½	-96½	...	...	...
382½	258	Bilton	267	...	...	4.5	19.5
108	72	Bourne End	92	...	...	1.4	...
276	200	Bradford	200	-1	...	4.1	14.1
474	360	Br Land	366	-10	...	2.6	32.2
137	121	Brightstone	121	...	...	3.9	27.4
276	179	Brixton	180	...	...	5.6	15.7
118	90½	Burford	96 †	+1	...	2.1	30.9
112	105	CLS Hldgs	108	...	...	...	...
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl	155	...	...	1.2	61.1
239	191	Cap Shop Ctrs	204	-5	...	4.0	49.1
325	230	Cardiff Prop	233	...	...	1.3	52.1
185	152	Chelsfield	163	-1	...	1.8	40.2
678	525	Chesterfield	525	-5	...	2.9	23.5
112	98	Chesterton Int	103	-4	...	4.0	14.5
84	36	City Site Ests	63	...	...	...	...
12½	7½	Clarke Nickolls	7½	...	...	...	15.7
350	285	Compco	310	...	...	5.5	∞
56	32	Conrad Ritblat GS	38 †	-½	...	1.6	∞
1755	1458	Daejan	1460 †	-18	...	2.5	17.0
25½	5	Dares Estates	10	...	...	...	...
156	103	Debenham Twsn	114	...	...	3.8	18.5
17	6	De Morgan	8	...	...	...	...
189	161	Dencora	166	-2	...	2.5	46.6
347½	261	Derwent Hldgs	261	-2	...	2.2	23.3
41	21½	Development Sec	21½	...	...	...	...
51	45	Dwyer	51	...	...	...	...
460	275	Estates Agency	370 †	...	...	3.5	44.7
47	18	Estates Gen	26½	...	...	...	...
132	100	Evans Of Leeds	117	...	...	2.7	20.4
43½	27	Ex-Lands	28	-1	...	1.6	...
80	68	Fiscal Prop	70	...	...	...	...
37	24	Five Oaks	27	...	...	0.9	...
78	59	Fletcher King	59 †	...	...	3.2	29.3
536	407	Frogmore	433	...	...	4.7	19.1
325	228	Grainger	264	-1	...	2.6	47.2
260	174	Gr Portland	175	-2	...	5.7	33.3
22½	12½	Greycoat	14	...	...	...	...
269	149	HK Land	164½	-½	...	3.9	∞
94	43	Hambro Cntyw	47	...	...	0.7	47.7
435	325	Hammerson	325	-1	...	3.8	32.6
390	298	Helical Bar	356	...	...	2.0	14.3
40½	29½	Hemingway	33	...	...	1.5	56.7
78	37	Herring Baker	49	...	...	3.8	...
315	138	Jermyn	169	...	...	...	32.9
792	588	Land Sec	603½	-4½	...	5.0	17.1
122	89	Lon Merch Sec	93	...	...	5.6	13.7
16	9	Lon & Metro	10	...	...	...	0.5
562	409	MEPC	423	-1	...	5.9	34.3
13½	6	McInerney A	6	...	...	...	...
190	164	McKay Secs	183 †	...	...	3.6	18.1
86	59	Merivale Mre	84	-1	...	3.0	∞
55	27	Moorfield Est	33 †	...	...	3.8	...
1425	1200	Mountview	1231½	...	...	2.3	13.2
196	154	Mucklow (A&J)	166	-1	...	4.7	24.1
59	30	OEM	30	...	...	...	...
64	37	Olives Prop	37	-1	...	...	13.8
191	148	PSIT	154 †	...	...	3.8	21.8
399	255	Peel	261 †	+4	...	2.2	∞
162	157	Pillar Prop	157	-1	...	2.9	...
9½	5	Premier Land	5½	...	...	...	...
53	32	Raglan	34½	+½	...	...	12.6
40	27	Regalian	27½	...	...	...	10.4
180	140	Rowlinson Secs	170	...	...	1.3	10.8
134	115	Rugby Est	115	...	...	2.5	...
64	45	St Modwen Prp	52	...	...	2.9	13.0
78	59	Saville Grdn (J)	62 †	...	...	5.4	∞
100	73	Savills	73	...	...	3.9	∞
108	82	Scot Met	86	-1	...	2.3	...
135	102	Shaftesbury	102	...	...	...	...
17½	8	Shield	8	...	...	...	4.2
307	221	Slough Estates	227 †	-1	...	4.5	48.5
103	59	Southend Prop	61 †	+2	...	4.9	...
50	23	Stanhope Prps	26	...	...	...	...
39	34	TBI	37½	...	...	...	2.0
244	182	Tops Ests	187 †	-2	...	1.5	44.6
163	119	Town Centre	125	...	...	3.5	22.4
107	91	Trafford Park	94	...	...	4.3	∞
58	28	UK Land	52	...	...	...	...
317	222	Warner	222 †	-9	...	6.3	21.4
260	218	Warnford	230 †	...	...	4.2	19.0
7½	1½	Waterglade	2½	-½	...	...	...
103½	65	Wates	67	+2	...	...	...
105	70	Wood John Dv	76	-2	...	3.3	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
45	31	Automagic	41	...	...	...	...
173	165	Chamb Phipps	166	...	...	5.5	21.8
202½	143	Lambert	143	...	...	6.1	13.3
75	53	Pittards	70	...	...	1.8	...
26	19	Strong & Fisher	23	...	...	5.4	15.7
250	227	Stylo	244 †	...	...	2.0	23.5
69	50½	UK Safety	55	...	...	6.0	11.3

TEXTILES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
617	488	Allied Text	510 †	...	...	3.2	15.7
71	51	Beckman (A)	52	...	...	8.6	11.1
39½	15½	Bolton Gp	18	...	...	...	...
226	171	Br Mohair	200	...	...	5.3	27.0
385	292	Claremont Ga	305 †	-1	...	3.1	16.1
593	451	Courtauld Text	503	-1	...	3.6	19.6
159½	119	Dawson	136	...	...	2.8	...
42	28	Drummond	29	...	...	...	12.9
80	72	Faupel	77	...	...	8.0	13.0
29	18	Foster (John)	18	...	...	...	...
166	113	Gaskell	152 †	...	...	3.5	...
33	25½	Helene Plc	27½	...	...	9.1	11.3
263	222	Hicking Pntcst	250	-1	...	2.3	17.7
73	55	Jerome (S)	64	+1	...	1.0	32.4
485	371	Lamont	371	-1	...	4.2	14.2
340	265	Leeds	292	...	...	2.5	14.9
101	68	Lyles (S)	86	...	...	4.0	...
266	181	Parkland	181	...	...	3.5	10.8
112	80	Readicut	82½	-½	...	5.2	14.2
70	47	SEET	53	...	...	...	...
146	100	Sirdar	105	...	...	6.7	∞
64	50	Stirling Gp	62 †	...	...	3.6	17.2
46	34	Stoddard	35	...	...	5.7	13.2
330	240	Tomkinsons	240	...	...	6.0	22.6
49	34	West Trust	34 †	...	...	9.2	23.8
289	239	Yorklyde	278	...	...	2.7	13.5

TOBACCOS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
570	372	BAT	421 †	+8	...	6.1	11.0
489	337	Rothmans	417	...	...	4.0	22.2

TRANSPORT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
313½	228	Assoc Br Ports	277	-1	...	2.2	21.9
541½	440	BAA	485	+1	...	2.3	20.7
128	105½	Badgerline	117	...	...	4.4	...
496½	367	Br Airways	380	-2½	...	3.7	11.9
108	75	Clarkson (H)	96	...	...	2.3	24.1
592½	250	Eurotunnel Uts	279	+5	...	...	...
87	55	Fisher (James)	55	...	...	...	...
155	126½	IoM Steam	146	...	...	3.8	11.0
63	39	Jacobs (JI)	47 †	...	...	4.4	...
111	91	Lon O'Seas Frts	91 †	...	...	5.3	2.1
534	380	Mersey Docks	420 †	-3	...	2.8	20.3
347	345	Nat Express	333	-5	...	2.9	20.5
291	157	NFC	166 †	+6	...	5.3	25.3
348	246	Ocean Group	267 †	-½	...	6.7	13.5
91	58	Ocean Wilson	75	...	...	5.3	9.6
743	597	P & O Dfd	655 †	+8½	...	5.8	20.3
194	153	P & O 5 1/2%	193	...	...	3.6	...
705	549	Powell Duffryn	581	+2	...	5.1	16.5
102	84	Seacon	91 †	...	...	3.2	20.7
210	158	Stagecoach	209 †	-½	...	2.5	20.8
131	85½	TNT	117	-3	...	...	...
915	803	Tibbet & Britn	810	-3	14.2	3.2	21.8
79	27	Tiphook	35	...	...	...	...
327	213	TDG	213 †	-3	...	5.6	14.3
136	98	Ugland	136 †	...	...	0.7	∞
160	95	Utd Carriers	101 †	...	...	2.0	...

WATER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	342	Anglian Water	535 †	-1	...	5.3	13.9
365	293	Mid Kent Hldgs	333	+3	...	4.3	11.2
751	508	Northumbrian	664 †	-2	...	4.6	7.1
611	454	North West	543 †	-8	...	5.3	8.1
645	457	Severn Trent	547 †	+2	...	5.2	7.7
682	466	Sthrn Water	583 †	-10	...	5.0	8.4
1740	1525	Sth Staffs	1740	...	...	3.7	11.5
675	484	South West	533	-3	...	6.0	7.9
611	434½	Thames Water	510	+1	...	3.5	8.3
744	546	Welsh Water	601 †	-1	...	4.8	7.3
759½	551	Wessex Water	608 †	-7	...	4.8	8.1
630	456	Yorkshire W	531 †	-3	...	5.4	7.8

Source: Finstat

♠ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ↓ Ex all; ♦ Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; .. No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
109	100	Treas 9% 1994	100	...	8.95	5.43
107	102	Treas 12% 1995	102	-	11.76	5.79
98	97	Gas 3% 1990-95	98	...	3.05	5.79
107	102	Exch 10¼% 1995	102	-	9.97	6.73
113	106	Treas 12¾% 1995	106	-	12.02	7.14
117	108	Treas 14% 1996	108	-	12.95	7.38
121	111	Treas 15¼% 1996	111	-	13.70	7.68
117	108	Exch 13¼% 1996	108	-	12.23	7.77
112	103	Conv 10% 1996	103	-	9.64	8.06
121	110	Treas 13¼% 1997	110	-	11.98	8.19
114	104	Exch 10½% 1997	104	-	10.02	8.26
110	100	Treas 8¾% 1997	100	-	8.68	8.42
131	117	Exch 15% 1997	117	-	12.81	8.53
114	103	Exch 9¾% 1998	103	-	9.46	8.65
106	95	Treas 7¼% 1998	95	-	7.56	8.65
102	94	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	94	...	7.17	8.67
131	115	Treas 14% 1998-01	115	-	12.09	8.87
140	122	Treas 15½% 1998	122	-	12.63	8.71
125	110	Exch 12% 1998	110	-	10.84	8.86
116	102	Treas 9½% 1999	102	-	9.29	8.84

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
101	89	Treas 6% 1999	89	...	6.72	8.75
128	112	Exch 12¼% 1999	112 †	...	10.93	8.94
121	106	Treas 10½% 1999	106	...	9.90	8.98
121	105	Conv 10¼% 1999	105	+	9.73	8.93
116	100	Conv 9% 2000	100	+	8.07	8.92
130	117	Treas 13% 2000	117	+	11.09	9.11
106	89	Treas 7% 2001	89	+	7.82	9.01
122	104	Treas 10% 2001	104	+	9.60	9.13
123	103	Treas 9¾% 2002	103	...	9.45	9.17
113	93	Treas 8% 2003	93	+	8.55	9.07
127	105	Treas 10% 2003	105	+	9.51	9.13
120	110	Treas 11½% 2001-04	110	+	10.42	9.34
86	70	Fund 3½% 1999-04	70	+	4.98	7.94
105	85	Treas 6¾% 2004	85	+	7.91	8.95
125	102	Conv 9½% 2004	102 †	+	9.26	9.10
125	102	Conv 9½% 2005	102	+	9.24	9.08
147	118	Treas 12½% 2003-05	118	+	10.52	9.36
111	92	Treas 8% 2002-06	92 †	...	8.66	9.06
112	90	Treas 7¾% 2006	91	+	8.51	8.98
136	113	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	113	+	10.36	9.37
119	96	Treas 8½% 2007	96	+	8.81	8.95
151	125	Treas 13½% 2004-08	125 †	+	10.75	9.37
124	100	Treas 9% 2008	100 †	+	8.95	8.92

LONGS (over 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
115	92	Treas 8% 2009	92	-	8.65	8.91
126	101	Conv 9% 2011	101	+	8.89	8.84
127	101	Treas 9% 2012	101	...	8.88	8.82
93	72	Treas 5½% 2008-12	72	+	7.62	8.58
114	90	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	90	-	8.57	8.75
117	92	Treas 8% 2013	92	-	8.62	8.78
159	127	Exch 12% 2013-17	127	-	9.43	8.98
128	99	Treas 8¾% 2017	100	-	8.74	8.73

UNDATED

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
54	39	War Ln 3½%	40	...	8.70	..
37	27	Treas 2½%	27 †	...	8.97	..

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1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
203	197	Treas IL 2% 1996	198	...	2.74	4.13
113	106	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	106	-	2.87	3.71
176	163	Treas IL 2½% 2001	164 †	-	3.42	3.86
173	159	Treas IL 2½% 2003	160	-	3.53	3.89
118	107	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	108 †	-	3.53	3.86
184	165	Treas IL 2% 2006	166	-	3.62	3.88
168	149	Treas IL 2½% 2009	150	-	3.66	3.89
175	154	Treas IL 2½% 2011	156	-	3.70	3.90
146	126	Treas IL 2½% 2013	128	-	3.73	3.92
157	134	Treas IL 2½% 2016	136	-	3.76	3.94
152	128	Treas IL 2½% 2020	130 †	-	3.79	3.95
129	106	Treas IL 2½% 2024	108	-	3.79	3.93
128	105	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	107	-	3.83	3.97

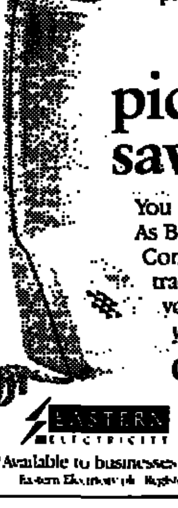
THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
AIB UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
51 Belmont Rd. Uxbridge. Middx UB8 1RZ 0895 259 783				
Grofund Amer	160.00	169.30	-2.10	0.12
Grofund Equity	233.40	247.00	-2.10	1.31
Grofund Euro	197.90	209.40*	-3.40	0.18
Grofund Expt Bal	116.90	121.20*	...	2.01
Grofund Gilt	70.02	72.18*	-1.44	5.79
Grofund Japan	181.60	192.20	-2.30	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MGRS				
Equity & Law Hse. Corpn St. Coventry 0203 553 231				
General Acc	516.70	549.70*	-2.40	2.80
General Inc	455.60	484.70*	-2.20	2.80
UK Growth Acc	349.00	371.30	-1.60	2.82
UK Growth Inc	242.30	257.80	-1.10	2.82
Higher Inc Acc	651.00	692.60	-1.90	3.90
Higher Inc Inc	384.40	409.00	-1.20	3.90
Gilts/Fxd Int Acc	175.20	185.00*	-0.90	6.37
Gilts/Fxd Int Inc	65.16	89.95*	-0.46	6.37
Nth America	257.20	273.70	-0.70	...
Far East	370.30	394.00	-1.30	...
Europe	269.20	286.40*	-1.20	0.81
Bri Excell	68.97	73.38*	-0.40	3.08
Bri Fndmtls Acc	97.29	103.50*	-0.30	4.87
Bri Fndmtls Inc	71.28	75.94*	-0.19	4.97
Global Opps	83.05	88.86	-0.69	0.20
Balanced Acc	52.61	55.97*	-0.44	2.89
Balanced Inc	51.88	55.20*	-0.41	2.89
ABBEY UNIT TST MGRS				
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth 0345 717 373				
High Income				
Gilts & Fixed Int	123.20	130.80*	-0.60	6.12
High Inc Equity	158.70	169.70	-1.90	4.64
Worldwide Bond	258.70	274.50*	-3.00	3.53
Capital Growth				
American Growth	283.40	303.00	-4.00	.75
Asian Pacific	361.30	384.50	-4.30	...
Assets & Earnings	260.90	277.50	-2.90	2.41
Comdty & Energy	124.10	132.00	-0.70	.34
Euro Capital Inc	129.50	138.20	-2.70	.70
General	219.30	233.20	-2.00	2.33
Japan	130.90	139.30	-1.60	...
Mastertrust	141.90	151.60	-1.50	1.23
UK Growth Dist	128.40	137.40	-0.30	2.16
US Emerging Cos	129.80	138.80	-0.80	...
Income & Growth	375.60	399.60	-4.50	3.13
Ethical	64.98	74.34	-0.26	2.56
International	117.90	125.30	-1.20	.53
Dividend & Growth	59.47	63.27	-0.58	4.44
Global Gwth & Sec	65.70	70.04	-0.02	2.44
ABERFORTH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
14 Melville St. Edinburgh EH3 7NS 031 220 0733				
UK Small Cos	£17.32	£17.97	...	...
ABTRUST UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
10 Queens Terrace. Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0800 833 580				
Aberdeen Portfolio	60.74	61.55	-0.46	0.80
Amer Inc & Growth	43.26	45.67	-0.56	0.68
Cash	50.09	50.09*	+0.01	4.49
European	108.10	115.00	-1.20	...
Exempt	£10.17	£10.55	-5.10	1.70
Extra Income	50.96	54.52*	-0.32	4.36
Far East Emg Ecn	123.30	132.60	-0.70	0.47
Fixed Interest	22.52	24.36*	-0.04	7.54
Fund Inv Tst	181.40	193.70	-1.10	0.87
Japan	190.90	203.30*	-2.20	...
Latin American	79.56	84.56*	-0.57	0.57
Pacific	76.73	82.14	-0.56	0.32
Property Share	65.62	70.04	-0.20	1.98
UK Emerging Cos	65.35	69.76	-0.15	1.77
UK Growth	43.93	47.46	-0.24	2.46
World Growth	74.35	79.76	-0.65	0.68
Ethical	61.80	65.92	-0.49	2.66
Aberdeen Gilt Inc	48.30	49.20*	-0.25	6.76
ACUMA FUND MANAGERS LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd. Hutton. Essex 0277 690 336				
UK Equity Income	96.19	102.33*	-0.33	2.93
UK Equity Growth	86.20	91.70*	-0.33	2.13
European	67.92	72.26	-1.21	0.90
Nth American	67.98	72.32	-0.59	1.24
Far Eastern	74.96	79.74	-0.50	0.54
Money	66.41	66.41	+0.01	3.72
Fixed Interest	67.86	72.19	-0.42	7.27
Index Linked Gilt	63.27	67.31	-0.32	1.41
AEGON UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
28 St Andrew Square. Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 549 3232				
British Growth	69.19	73.61*	-1.01	2.72
British Income	78.84	83.87*	-0.90	3.44
Select Portfolio	98.70	93.94*	-0.67	..
ALLCHURCHES INV MGMT SVS LTD				
101 King's Road Brentwood CM14 4DR 0452 305 958				
Amity Income	74.23	78.76*	-0.23	2.37
Income Builder Inc	66.87	71.14	-0.33	2.77
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TSTS PLC				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL IFA dlg: 0793 610 366 Client dlg: 0793 514 514				
Balanced Trusts				
Growth & Income	228.20	243.90	+0.80	3.35
Capital	400.90	428.40	+0.50	1.81
Balanced	668.60	714.70	+0.70	2.79
Accumulator	£12.03	£12.86	+3.00	3.05
Income Trusts				
American Income	47.21	50.46*	+0.49	3.65
High Income	386.40	413.00*	+1.20	3.74
Equity Income	217.90	232.90	+0.30	3.68
High Yield	239.30	255.90	+0.70	3.67
Govt Securities	31.94	33.71	...	5.40
International Trusts				
Amer Spec Sits	139.00	149.50*	+1.60	0.60
European Growth	34.66	36.99*	+0.13	0.08
International	162.80	173.90	+0.50	0.22
Japan	221.20	235.50	-0.40	0.01
Pacific	430.30	459.90	+3.10	0.02
Secs of America	409.60	434.70	+4.50	0.43
Wwide Asset Val	48.77	52.09*	+0.12	0.19
Specialist Trusts				
Asset Value	504.70	539.50	-0.10	2.41
Com & Gilt	43.43	46.42*	-0.12	4.72
Smaller Cos	167.60	179.10	...	1.26
2nd Smaller Cos	159.70	169.60*	...	1.30
Recovery	135.80	145.10	-0.10	1.80
Met Min & Cdty	163.20	173.30	+3.20	0.81
Oseas Earnings	338.80	362.10	-1.20	2.03
Technology	154.80	165.40	+2.00	0.01
UK Special Sits	437.00	467.10*	-1.10	1.94
B & C E UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
Manor Royal, Crawley RH10 2QP 0293 526 911				
Cnttrctd Out Pens	96.83	100.60	...	1.45
Foundtn Persl Pens	61.67	64.07	...	4.00
BSI-THORNHILL UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
28 St John's Sq. London EC1M 4AE 071 251 6767				
Capital	69.47	73.90	-0.20	1.73
International	62.58	66.57	...	0.13
BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO LTD				
1 Rutland Court. Edinburgh EH3 8EY 031 222 4242				
America	285.70	307.90*	-3.80	...
Bond	106.20	111.80	-1.20	7.52
Brit Smlr Cos	99.92	106.30	-0.30	1.31
Com & Gen	65.58	69.99*	-0.33	5.30
Energy	435.20	466.20	-6.60	0.22
Europe	232.50	247.90	-2.80	0.46
Euro Smlr Cos	105.20	111.90	-1.00	0.84
Income Gwth	339.10	361.90*	-1.00	4.37
Japan	333.60	354.30	-3.00	...
Pacific	113.60	120.80	-2.00	0.70
UK Smllr Cos	52.38	55.72	-0.16	0.91
Japan Fd	760.90	783.70	-6.00	..
Mngd Fd	169.30	180.10	-1.10	3.00
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MGRS LTD				
36 Queen St. London EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit & Oseas	282.40	297.30	...	1.25
Capital Gwth	110.70	116.50	...	2.29
Wwide Opps	183.30	192.90	...	0.41
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD				
11 Broadway, Stratford E15 4BJ 081 534 5544				
Balanced Trusts				
Bust Inv Fd Inc	337.10	351.20	-4.10	2.84
European Bd Inc	87.23	90.30	-0.17	8.20
Exempt	72.38	77.21	-0.81	4.28
Financial	70.46	75.36	-0.81	2.75
500.0	446.50	477.60*	-2.20	2.29
General	262.40	280.70*	-0.0	2.66
Property	248.90	266.20	...	6.0
Trustee	173.70	185.70	-2.70	2.39
Income Trusts				
Cash Inc	100.70	100.70	...	4.27
Extra Income	115.20	123.20	-1.0	4.01
Gilt & Fxd Int	54.69	56.52*	-0.35	9.03
Income	508.90	544.30	-5.30	4.12
Income Builder	61.37	65.29*	-0.66	4.82
Intl Income	63.44	67.49	-0.69	3.52
Growth Trusts - UK				
Capital	111.80	119.20*	-1.30	2.68
Leisure	116.70	124.90	-1.70	1.26
Recovery	402.60	430.60	-4.60	2.44
Smllr Cos Inc	43.12	46.24*	-0.08	1.79
Special Sits	271.10	289.90	-3.40	1.55
Growth Trusts - Overseas				
America	125.60	133.20	-1.10	0.63
Aust Acc	251.40	267.40	-3.30	1.97
Aust Inc	156.30	166.20	-2.10	1.97
Euro Gwth Inc	147.20	156.30*	-2.50	0.61
Japan & Gen Inc	185.40	196.30	-1.80	..
Japan Spec Sits	85.89	90.99	-0.93	..
Univ Tech Inc	79.34	84.32	-0.76	0.30
Worldwide	171.80	182.30	-2.20	0.58
BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002				
American Growth	92.05	97.80	-1.03	..
Amer Smllr Cos	126.70	136.10	...	...
Cash Trust	50.20	50.20	+0.01	4.10
Convertibles	55.99	59.45*	-0.36	5.40
Eastern	300.07	324.20	-4.70	0.10
Equity Income	86.97	92.60	-0.48	5.00
European Growth	288.40	306.10	-3.60	1.00
Europe	219.10	233.80	-1.10	0.00
German Growth	70.61	75.08	-0.75	0.10
Global Bond	60.31	63.58	-0.30	5.90
Global Growth	125.10	133.60	-1.20	...
Japan Growth	209.80	224.00	-1.30	...
Japan Sunrise	187.40	199.40	-1.30	...
Korea Trust	83.39	93.95	-0.79	...
Portfolio	130.00	139.20*	-0.80	1.60
UK Growth	86.39	91.90	-0.37	1.40
UK Smaller Cos	90.36	96.64	-0.32	1.50
Select Managers	73.40	78.63	-0.65	1.10
BLACKSTONE FRANKS UT MGRS LTD				
26-34 Old Street. London EC1V 9HL 071 250 3300				
Intl Gwth Port Inc	78.78	83.81	...	...
Special Oppor Inc	57.37	61.03*	...	...
BREWIN DOLPHIN UT MGRS LTD				
5 Giltspur St. London EC1A 9DE 071 236 6441				
Special Sits	171.50	183.70	-0.70	1.43
Dividend	81.04	86.67	-4.80	3.84
Int Gth & Inc	207.40	221.80	-3.40	2.67
UK & Gen	41.94	44.86*	-0.63	1.51
Fund of Funds	65.76	70.33*	+0.12	..
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MGRS LTD				
50 Bothwell Street. Glasgow G2 6HR 041 223 6028				
Balanced Growth	102.40	108.36	-1.20	1.83
Smaller Cos	104.10	110.16	-0.34	1.15
Higher Yield	42.97	45.47	-0.38	3.39
American Gth Inc	71.89	76.07*	-0.67	..
European Growth	133.94	141.74*	-1.32	0.04
Global Bond Inc	25.94	27.40	-0.30	5.57
Mngd Pfolio Inc	42.40	44.86	-0.94	1.07
Intl Spec Opps	120.35	127.36	-0.94	0.10
Pacific Grth	137.84	145.87	-1.49	..
Formerly LAS				
UK General	75.10	79.47	-1.09	1.93
Japan	66.43	70.30*	-0.71	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	90.66	92.51*	-0.95	6.11
BURRAGE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
117 Fenchurch St. London EC3M 5AL 071 480 7216				
Short Dated Gilt	63.04	63.86	-0.34	6.67
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 105. Manchester M60 8AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	150.30	159.90	-1.20	1.62
UK Growth	158.60	168.80*	-1.80	2.31
UK Income	128.10	136.30	-1.20	4.37
CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 651 122				
Can Gen Dist	180.50	191.40	-1.50	2.07
-do- Income Dist	105.40	111.70	-0.50	4.47
Gilt & Fxd Int	37.78	40.08*	-0.25	6.79
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD				
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF 061 236 5685 Enq: 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5362				
American & Gen	147.30	156.80*	-1.10	.
Europa Inc	77.12	81.71*	-0.95	0.65
Smaller Cos (+1)	81.67	86.89*	-0.18	1.70
Growth	403.00	428.80*	-2.10	2.26
Income & Growth	394.00	419.20	-1.90	3.84
Japan & Gen	76.44	81.29	-0.59	..
Master Portfolio	£101.91	£105.90	-64.00	1.93
Special Sits	92.99	98.93	-1.35	2.23
High Yield	£12.82	£13.22	-7.00	4.29
CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS				
Capital House. Festival Square. Edinburgh 031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 561				
American Gwth Tst	35.67	38.14	-0.13	0.30
Cash Income	50.44	50.44	+0.02	4.90
European Gwth	39.35	41.92	-0.63	..
Income & Gwth Inc	26.19	28.01*	-0.19	4.38
Intntl Gwth	30.84	32.98	-0.28	0.15
Japan Gwth	28.60	30.66*	-0.11	..
Managed Tst Inc	47.35	50.64	-0.48	1.24
Oriental Opps Inc	153.60	164.20*	-0.50	..
Property Shares	39.34	42.07	+2.26	0.56
Smaller Cos	31.76	33.96	+0.04	1.36
UK Growth Tst	24.83	26.55	+0.02	2.40
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	70.64	75.55	-1.0	1.51
Cap Hse UK Inc	64.94	69.45	-0.77	2.96
Exempt (C)	29.84	30.70		1.76
Formerly Brown Shipley				
Financial	141.10	150.90*	-0.90	1.73
Foundation	90.70	97.00*	-0.54	2.86
German	50.98	54.57	-0.70	..
High Income	71.13	76.07*	-1.28	5.96
Income	135.30	144.70	...	3.07
Mngd Pfolio Inc	101.70	108.70	...	1.07
Mngd Pfolio Acc	194.40	207.90	...	1.07
Monthly Income	82.94	88.59*	-0.05	4.02
North American	102.70	109.90	-1.0	...
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
Cazenove Portfolio	80.42	85.81	+0.15	2.29
American Portfolio	87.63	93.20	+1.02	1.04
European Portfolio	93.73	99.88	-0.40	0.83
Japanese Portfolio	69.29	73.70	-0.98	..
Pacific Portfolio	145.82	156.80	-1.13	0.74
UK Inc & Growth	74.55	79.93	+0.09	3.42
Utilit & Bond	54.79	55.41	+0.09	5.71
CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000				
UK General Tst	62.97	66.98*	-0.40	2.99
CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD				
151 Farringdon Rd. London EC1R 3AD 071 837 7667				
Intl Growth	135.04	146.80	..	..
UK Income	107.71	117.28	..	5.125
CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Beckman Intl	71.97	76.29		2.19
Beck Bio-Tech	26.83	29.01		
Acorn Ethical Tst	157.42	165.71		1.27
City Fin Assets	69.41	73.84	-1.01	1.07
City Fin America	83.05	87.42		
City Fin Intl	78.13	82.24	..	0.44
City Fin Japan	177.09	196.41		
Friars Hse Cap	261.21	282.42	-6.99	1.51
Friars Hse Inc	195.68	208.17	-1.31	3.90
Buckley Wrld Grth	131.86	140.30*	..	0.06
Fairmnt Cap Gth	139.87	147.23		
-do- Inc & Gth	109.75	115.53	..	1.56
Fairmount Intl	156.73	164.98		
City Fin Pfolio Inc	57.18	60.83	..	4.04
CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
10 Eastcheap. London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144				
Emerging Markets	58.84	62.43	-0.58	..
CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD				
Narrow Plain. Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393				
American Gwth	54.70	58.50	-0.42	...
Atlas Mngd Gwth	36.32	38.95	-0.36	0.36
Dragon Growth	74.04	79.19	-0.07	0.20
Equity High Inc	80.16	85.29*	-0.21	3.84
European Gwth	49.06	52.19	-0.76	0.84
Evergreen	29.31	31.35	-0.21	...
General Equity	79.98	84.96	-0.33	2.55
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	23.33	24.53	-0.16	8.49
Japan Growth	52.95	56.63	-0.70	..
Pedigree Gwth	48.96	52.08	-0.22	2.63
Pcl Sm Cos Inc	31.13	33.12	+0.03	0.96
Retirement Inc	25.55	27.33	-0.07	5.45
Special Sits	36.89	39.45	-0.14	1.76
UK & Overseas	47.22	50.23	-0.30	1.10
COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD				
Chatham Maritime. Kent ME4 4YY 0634 598 000				
Capital	63.23	67.92*	-0.36	2.40
Income	57.56	61.56*	-0.23	4.01
COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL LTD				
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park. Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9818				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	156.80	166.61	-0.81	5.38
Fixed & Convertible	39.73	42.27	-0.24	7.45
Monthly Inc Plus	47.70	50.74	+0.47	6.83
Preference Share	45.99	48.93	-0.09	7.50
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	123.73	131.63	+2.04	7.10
Managed Fund	65.63	69.82	-0.54	2.58
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	40.68	43.28	-0.20	1.57
UK & General	76.43	81.31	+0.69	2.36
UK Growth	135.18	143.81	-0.51	2.37
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	188.26	200.28	-3.50	0.25
Far Eastern Grth	140.26	149.21	-1.57	..
Global Bond	77.22	82.09	-0.45	6.58
Japan Growth	125.56	135.70	-1.31	..
North Amer Grth	153.78	163.60	-2.29	..
Oriental Growth	82.33	87.59	-0.92	..
Worldwide Growth	63.21	67.24	-0.81	0.08
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	92.93	92.93	+0.03	4.38
Homemaker Fund	74.57	79.33	-0.53	1.90
Quilter Fund	124.08	132.00*	-0.97	2.97
CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD				
Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744 940				
Growth Inc	56.49	60.09	-0.37	3.00
High Income	32.67	34.75	-0.19	4.70
Japan	37.18	39.55	-0.31	..
Smaller Cos Inc	31.02	33.00	-0.12	2.20
Smaller Cos	32.54	34.61	-0.13	2.20
North American	32.72	34.80	-0.26	0.40
European	36.45	38.77	-0.36	0.30
CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD				
1 White Hart Yd. London Bridge SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Consistent UT	30.17	32.42*	..	3.33
COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD				
1 King St. Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 358				
Growth	141.40	150.50	-0.70	1.80
Income	69.85	74.31*	-0.20	4.97
European	59.77	63.59	-0.77	0.64
Recovery	143.80	153.00	-0.60	1.72
CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD				
78-80 Cornhill. London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494				
Equity Dist	791.40	805.40*		3.88
CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd. Hutton. Brentwood. Essex 0277 690 370				
Fellowship Tst	68.67	73.05	-1.02	1.34
Income	229.60	244.20	-1.20	4.70
Smaller Cos	190.00	199.50	-0.10	0.80
Inv Portfolio	75.87	80.71	-0.82	1.45
High Income Port	65.97	70.18	-0.29	4.80
DIMENSIONAL TST MGMT LTD				
155 Bishopsgate. London EC2M 3XS 071 410 0177				
Euro Small Cos	£15.67	£16.06	..	..
Japan Small Cos	£13.23	£13.50	..	..
UK Small Cos	£18.05	£18.83	..	..
US Small Cos	£16.08	£16.51	..	..
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS				
66 Wilson Street. London EC2A 2BL 071 377 8819				
Disc Inc	207.40	218.30	..	2.53
DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
25, Ravelston Terrace. Edinburgh 031 315 2500				
European Gwth	267.00	282.50	-3.10	0.99
New Asia	226.40	241.30*	-2.20	...
Japan Growth	129.70	138.00*	-0.50	...
Jap Smllr Co	549.50	584.10	-1.90	...
Nth Amer	244.30	258.80	-3.70	0.92
Shthd Asia Pac Mt	126.80	133.90	-1.50	0.34
UK Inc & Grth	207.80	222.10	-0.70	2.71
EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD				
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
UK Balanced Inc	134.90	143.50	-1.40	1.87
UK High Inc Inc	146.90	156.30	-1.70	4.61
UK Pref & F I Inc	54.93	58.28	-0.52	5.38
Envrnmntl Opps	80.96	86.13	-0.88	1.09
EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
97 Haymarket Terrace. Edinburgh 0345 090 526				
American	118.70	125.90	-1.00	0.99
Convertibles	30.89	32.30*	-0.13	7.43
Equity Income	123.30	131.00*	-1.00	3.82
EuroFund	44.68	47.36	-0.46	0.42
Financial	45.69	48.55	-0.33	1.65
Growth & Inc	224.00	238.00	-1.20	3.15
High Dist	150.80	160.00	-1.00	4.69
International	405.00	430.30	-3.00	0.17
Int Cap Inc	95.04	101.50	-0.90	2.56
Latin American	50.96	54.15*	-0.47	...
Pacific	92.08	97.84	+0.29	..
Preference Share	21.97	23.34	-0.09*	7.07
Tokyo	236.20	250.60*	-2.90	...
UK Smaller Cos	229.20	243.50	-0.50	1.03
ELY PLACE UNIT MGRS LTD				
28 Ely Place. London EC1N 6RL 071 242 0242				
Elcon Trust	212.72	227.44	-5.03	0.94
ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD				
41 Harrington Gardens. London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance Fd	202.90	215.90	.	0.50
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QN 0296 431 480				
European	78.23	82.35	-0.07	1.71
Ethical Tst	45.31	47.69	+0.10	1.13
Far Eastern	316.87	333.55	-2.21	1.55
High Income	130.71	137.59	+0.38	4.66
Intl Growth	121.12	127.49	-1.30	1.35
North American	109.16	114.91*	+1.44	1.01
Pelican	113.27	119.23	+0.41	3.16
Smaller Cos	71.95	75.74	-0.01	2.13
Special Sits	89.07	93.76*	-0.02	2.35
Tst of Inv Tsts	186.40	196.21*	-0.86	1.36
EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard. London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Smaller Cos Inc	217.12	226.17	-0.18	1.15
Smaller Cos Acc	376.99	392.70	-0.31	1.15
Recovery	54.07	56.32	+0.02	1.15
Recovery Acc	54.19	56.45	+0.02	1.15
EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD				
23 Cathedral Yard. Exeter EX1 1HB 0392 412 144				
Balanced	105.34	112.04	-0.54	6.05
Capital Growth	82.12	88.06	-1.56	..
Fd of Inv Tsts	45.58	48.62	-0.45	0.60
High Income	46.20	49.51	-0.23	9.95
Warrant	60.36	65.61*	-0.60	..
Zero Preference	34.93	37.06	-0.11	..
FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD				
16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 220 787				
Family Asset Tst	75.57	80.39	-0.46	2.27
Family Income Tst	47.76	47.76	-0.41	5.63
Family Trust	87.76	93.35*	..	1.02
United Charities	262.90	279.60	..	2.60
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD				
130 Tonbridge Rd. Tonbridge TN11 9DZ Callfree: Private Clients 0800 414 161 Broker Dealings: 0800 414 181				
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00	...	4.30
Stabiliser Growth Range				
Controlled Risk UK	.	.	...	..
-do- Europe	...		...	
-do- America	...		...	
-do- Acc Japan	...		...	
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Int	25.75	25.99*	-0.17	8.35
Intl Bond	27.21	28.26	-0.14	5.49
Income Funds				
High Income	25.46	26.79*	-0.11	5.37
Income Plus	114.20	121.50*	-0.50	3.68

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Eq Inc	46.58	49.32	-0.51	1.02
European Income	42.20	44.86	-0.32	2.21
Far East Inc	62.50	66.55	-0.41	1.60
Global Convertible	22.93	24.46*	-0.11	3.75
UK Div Grth	23.06	24.52*	-0.10	1.36
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	66.75	73.34	-0.52	
American	232.60	246.80	-1.40	...
Amer Spec Sits	109.90	116.20	-0.70	...
Japan Smaller Cos	43.94	46.87	-0.42	..
European	161.10	171.30	-2.80	..
European Opps	62.01	65.94	-0.36	..
Global Priv	24.34	25.85	-0.19	1.49
UK Growth	86.49	91.97*	-0.47	...
Growth & Inc	147.00	156.30	+0.40	2.60
Ind PEP	35.78	38.05	-0.24	..
Japan Spec Sits	99.02	105.70	-0.80	..
Japan	202.20	215.80	-1.80	..
Managed Intl	271.30	289.20	-2.20	...
Moneybuilder	52.94	56.29	-0.39	...
Recovery	48.16	51.21	-0.16	..
South E Asia	161.60	172.40	-2.90	..
Special Sits	517.20	550.00*	-4.30	..
Specialist Funds				
UK Index	...	...	..	
UK Reverse Index	...	...	..	...
Europe Index	...	...	..	...
-do- Reverse Index	...	...	..	...
America Index	...	...	..	...
-do- Reverse Index	...	...	..	...
Japan Index	...	..	..	..
-do- Reverse Index	...	...	..	...
Cash Accum Units	106.51	106.51	+0.03	4.30
FLEMING PRIVATE FUND MGMT LTD				
20 Finsbury St. Lond EC2Y 9AQ 071 814 2700				
Balanced	137.30	140.70*	...	1.51
Inc Pfolio	84.34	86.02*	-0.41	3.64
Cap Pfolio	142.70	145.40	-0.90	0.89
General Opps	121.60	123.70	...	3.19
Growth Inc	29.93	30.61	-0.18	1.66
Private Portfolio	393.00	400.90*	...	1.47
FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MGT				
Admin, PO Box 2001, Brentwood, Essex, CM13 1XR Enq: 071 454 1434 Dlg: 0277 261 010				
Hypo Foreign & Colonial				
European	112.60	119.00*	-1.60	0.39
Emrg Asian	183.40	196.20	+0.10	..
High Income	21.43	22.81*	-0.04	9.86
Oseas Income	90.96	97.09	-0.90	2.74
UK Growth	107.20	114.60	-0.90	1.50
UK Income	102.20	109.00	-0.40	4.22
US Smaller Cos	284.80	304.60	-0.80	...
FOSTER & BRAITHWAITE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
High Inc Eqty	47.06	50.06	-0.55	3.36
-do- Inv Tst Inc	77.0	91.91*	-0.45	4.03
Intl Growth	72.83	77.47	...	1.16
Investment Trust	92.65	98.56*	-0.78	..
UK Smaller Cos	78.58	83.60	-0.25	1.28
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MGMT LTD				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
American Growth	53.48	57.14	-0.29	..
(Accum Units)	53.48	57.14	-0.29	..
Amer Smllr Cos	456.30	487.90*	-2.10	..
(Accum Units)	466.30	498.50*	-2.00	..
Capital Tst	311.40	331.20	-3.50	1.45
(Accum Units)	444.50	472.60	-0.70	1.45
Coml Smllr Cos	59.57	64.00	-0.41	0.48
(Accum Units)	62.65	67.30	-0.43	0.48
Convertible	129.63	137.80	-0.80	5.42
(Accum Units)	255.60	271.80	-1.70	5.42
Emerging Markets	84.04	89.78	-0.46	...
(Accum Units)	84.10	89.85	-0.46	...
European	118.10	125.80	-1.50	...
(Accum Units)	123.80	131.80	-1.50	...
Extra Income	327.10	347.90	-1.30	3.81
(Accum Units)	484.10	514.90	-2.00	3.81
Financial	120.60	129.60	-0.80	0.20
(Accum Units)	122.00	136.40	-0.90	0.20
Gilt Trust	59.81	61.68	-0.30	6.36
(Accum Units)	81.25	83.79	-0.41	6.36
Health Fund Inc	124.00	132.40	-0.20	...
(Accum Units)	124.00	132.40	-0.20	...
Income & Growth	188.30	200.20	-1.70	3.47
(Accum Units)	277.00	294.60	-2.30	3.47
Intl Growth	356.50	380.50	-2.70	..
(Accum Units)	395.90	422.50	-3.00	..
Japan & Gen	190.40	203.60	-2.30	..
(Accum Units)	192.30	205.70	-2.30	..
Managed Port Inc	103.90	109.20	-0.60	1.45
(Accum Units)	110.10	115.80	-0.60	1.45
Monthly Income	162.40	172.70	-0.60	3.93
Quarterly Income	52.18	55.50*	-0.20	4.35
(Accum Units)	54.98	58.48*	-0.20	4.35
Recovery	346.60	370.60	-3.30	...
(Accum Units)	408.10	436.40	-3.80	...
UK Growth	50.43	53.87	-0.09	2.65
(Accum Units)	52.16	55.72	-0.10	2.65
FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUSTS				
Enterprise Hse. Isambard Brunel Rd, P'mouth Dealing: 0705 881330 Enqs: 0705 881342				
FP Equity Dist	367.30	390.60	-3.70	2.94
-do- Accum	766.20	815.10	-7.80	2.94
FP Euro Gth Dist	135.50	144.10*	-2.10	0.30
-do- Accum	141.00	149.90*	-2.10	0.30
FP Fixed Int Dist	124.30	131.40*	-0.90	7.30
-do- Accum	224.80	237.70*	-1.80	7.30
FP Intl Gth Dist	92.94	98.87	-1.13	0.48
-do- Accum	96.92	103.10	-1.20	0.48
FP Nth Amer Dist	183.00	193.80	-2.50	0.79
-do- Accum	200.70	212.60	-2.70	0.79
FP Pac Basin Dist	324.60	345.30	-4.10	0.12
-do- Accum	331.20	352.30	-4.20	0.12
Stewardship Dist	327.40	348.20	-1.70	1.99
-do- Accum	396.00	421.20	-2.00	1.99
Swrdshp Inc Dist	72.24	76.85*	-0.20	3.49
-do- Accum	92.31	98.20*	-0.25	3.49
N Am Stshp Dist	97.11	103.30	-0.90	0.53
-do- Accum	102.90	109.40	-0.90	0.53
FP Managed Portfolio Service				
Capital Gwth Acc	108.20	115.10	+0.30	0.86
Open Cap Gth Acc	111.50	118.60	...	0.0
Cap Gth Inc Inc	103.40	110.00*	+0.30	1.68
Cap Gth Inc Acc	105.00	111.70*	+0.30	1.68
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ic	105.20	111.90	+0.10	1.63
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ac	106.80	113.60	+0.10	1.63
NM Unit Trusts				
American	42.84	45.57	-0.49	1.40
Australian	332.00	356.20	-0.80	0.0
Conscience	70.31	75.03	-0.31	0.43
European	195.00	207.40	-2.60	0.64
Extra Income	68.96	73.59*	-0.80	6.03
Gth & FI	53.64	58.61*	-0.37	6.55
Gold	55.48	59.65	-0.57	0.0
Income	52.81	56.33	-0.29	3.95
Intnl	32.76	34.96	-0.34	0.61
Jap Smaller Cos	396.10	422.50	-3.80	0.0
Sing & Malaysian	277.50	297.50	+3.20	0.0
Smaller Cos	30.27	32.54	-0.12	0.58
Special Sits	35.21	37.86	-0.13	1.82
Sterling Deposit	100.80	100.80	...	4.80
Tokyo	90.87	96.92	-0.78	0.0
UK Equity	167.80	178.90	-3.0	2.17
US Smaller Cos	113.50	121.20	-1.20	0.0
GA UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
PO Box 237, York YO1 1LA 0345 581 106/7				
GANDA	227.60	240.60	-2.60	2.45
Cash	49.48	50.23*	+0.02	3.78
Growth Portfolio	78.96	83.70	-0.83	0.69
Income Portfolio	63.72	67.38*	-0.72	4.37
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
Alban Gate, 14th Floor, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Amer Spec Sits	173.20	185.30	+2.00	...
European	553.20	590.70	-5.70	0.46
Far East & Gen	303.30	324.40	-2.10	.
Germany	120.60	127.90	-2.40	..
Income Inc	149.90	160.40*	-0.40	4.48
International	344.30	368.30	-3.60	0.19
Intl Income	78.65	83.44	-1.12	4.14
Japan & General	418.20	445.20	-1.70	..
Korean Securities	77.80	83.21	+1.94	...
Smllr Cos Div Inc	48.77	52.17	-0.14	4.56
UK Capital (Inc)	172.60	184.60*	-0.50	0.94
UK Spec Sits	87.94	94.06	-1.97	0.34
US & General	134.30	143.00	-0.60	...
Wwide Spec Sits	155.70	166.50	-1.30	...
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ 071 782 2800 Digs only: 0277 264 421 Investor Services: Freephone 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	45.33	48.61*	-0.23	2.37
Cash Trust	134.58	134.58*	+0.03	4.23
Practical Inv Inc	112.33	120.14*	-0.85	3.26
UK Index	140.84	143.45*	-0.68	3.19
UK Smaller Cos	120.74	129.13	-0.37	0.98
Income Funds				
Preference Share	24.19	25.87*	+0.01	9.32
High Income	32.61	34.88*	-0.18	4.99
UK Equity Income	132.07	141.25*	-1.24	3.78
Global Bond	26.74	27.71*	-0.27	5.20
International Funds				
Emerging Markets	61.28	65.54	+0.02	...
Global Inc & Gth	131.49	139.97	-1.41	1.67
Gold & Intl Res	122.08	130.57	-0.25	...
Global Utilities	134.57	143.93	-0.97	0.83
Overseas Funds				
American	138.46	148.07	-0.79	0.88
European	95.16	100.97	-0.98	0.95
Euro Sel Opps	135.65	144.59*	-1.18	...
Amer Emerging	95.29	101.91	-0.03	...
Hong Kong	152.06	162.63	-3.30	1.44
Japan	253.01	269.48	-1.77	...
Pacific Growth	237.16	253.65	-2.48	1.14
Gartmore Pensions Strategy Funds				
Managed Equity	208.32	208.32	-0.96	1.90
Long Term Bal	225.72	225.72	-1.33	2.35
Med Term Bal	188.59	188.59	-1.23	3.19
UK Equity	229.06	229.06	-0.81	2.51
UK Emerging Cos	140.81	140.81	-0.48	2.05
American	226.75	226.75*	-2.66	1.31
Japan	132.74	132.74*	-1.41	...
European	250.28	250.28*	-2.45	0.82
Index Linked Gilt	160.21	160.21	-0.84	3.13
Fixed Interest	145.85	145.85	-1.06	7.06
Amer Emergng	254.84	254.84	+0.13	...
Pacific	256.74	256.74	-2.24	0.76
Emerging Mkts	170.93	170.93*	-0.49	0.29
Index Strat Japan	159.86	159.86*	..	0.21
-do- Pacific Rim	300.78	300.78*	..	0.96
-do- Cont Europe	144.14	144.14*	..	1.60
Index Strat USA	126.09	126.09*	...	2.28
Gartmore Personal Pension Funds				
Managed Equity	98.40	104.68	-0.49	...
Med Term Bal	89.96	95.38	-0.62	...
Long Term Bal	101.63	108.11	-0.64	...
UK Equity	105.96	112.71	-0.40	...
UK Emerging Cos	66.08	70.30	-0.24	...
American	105.39	112.11	-1.32	...
Japan	63.89	67.97	-0.72	...
European	104.31	110.97	-1.09	..
Fixed Interest	73.58	78.28	-0.57	...
Index Linked Gilt	71.14	75.68	-0.39	...
Deposit	79.60	83.61	-0.01	...
Broker Unit Trusts				
Berkeley Intl Grth	122.74	129.20*	+0.16	..
Berkeley Income	108.04	113.73*	+0.12	2.54
BWH Intl	140.13	147.51*	+0.06	0.58
Brellff Gth Port Inc	60.19	63.49	-0.05	1.25
-do- Inc Port Inc	55.79	58.88*	-0.08	3.40
-do- Wwide Port	53.51	56.48	-0.27	0.50
Shaw Utilities	58.37	61.60	-0.29	2.40
GLENFRIARS UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
22 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HS 071 930 7533				
Inv Opportunities	142.60	152.80	..	0.97
Higher Income	124.90	131.10	..	1.89
GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT				
GAM Sterling Management Ltd 12 St James's Place, London SW1 071 493 9990				
& Intl Inc	543.13	577.80	..	0.93
European Inc	145.43	155.14	..	1.27
Amalgam Inc	150.26	159.12	..	
N America Inc	332.49	353.71	..	
Far East Inc	372.33	396.10	..	
Uk Divid Inc	179.44	190.83	..	0.84
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MGMT LTD				
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 407 2888				
UK Equity Inc	86.04	90.70*	-1.34	4.96
UK Small Cos	49.54	52.98*	-1.71	1.04
British Growth	51.12	54.17*	-0.83	2.90
American Gwth	155.83	166.60	-1.04	..
Japan Gwth	82.37	88.09	-1.10	..
Greater China	202.34	216.49	-2.74	..
Pacific Strategy	181.35	194.19	-0.44	..
European Gwth	84.95	90.86	-1.40	0.56
Intl Growth	147.75	158.02	-1.91	0.51
US Index (E)	12.91	13.66	-0.08	3.50
FT-SE Mid 250 Ind	74.03	78.78	-0.72	2.31
Monthly Income	38.38	40.90*	-0.61	10.00
MIS Unit Trust Dealing: 071 865 0013				
Grd UK Index (E)	9.72	10.45	-0.26	3.60

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
GRANVILLE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
Mint Hse. 77 Mansell St. London E1 8AF 071 488 1212				
Small Cos	96.92	103.10	..	1.16
Bridge Income	259.75	276.33	-0.19	4.56
GUARDIAN UT MGRS LTD				
36 Harbour Exchange Sq. London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	136.50	136.50	...	3.57
European	476.40	508.90	-5.70	0.12
Gilt & Fixed	120.10	127.50*	-1.20	5.16
Growth Equity	319.80	341.60	-3.70	1.86
Income Trust	124.40	132.90	-1.30	2.81
International	181.90	194.30*	-2.10	...
Japan Trust	132.10	141.10	-1.90	...
Nth American	255.50	272.90	-3.50	0.19
Pacific	586.50	626.50	-6.60	...
Guardhill	466.40	498.20*	-5.00	1.95
GUINNESS FLIGHT UT MGRS LTD				
5 Gatesford Street, London SE1 2NE 071 522 2129				
EMU Trust	96.30	99.91*	-0.70	6.76
Global High Inc	97.35	101.02	-1.17	7.34
Prem Fixed Int	97.91	101.63	-0.64	8.57
Eqty & Bond Inc	99.22	105.50	-0.96	4.98
European Growth	99.44	105.72	-1.24	..
Intl PEP Trust	59.29	63.04	-0.88	..
High Income	119.69	127.28*	+0.31	3.99
Recovery	389.70	414.40	-1.80	1.38
St Vinc High Inc	120.63	128.52*	-1.11	6.81
Tmp Bar Emer Co	252.60	268.60	-0.60	1.45
Tmp Br Sm Co In	375.00	381.60	-0.60	1.88
Glob Priv Tst	93.48	99.38	-1.72	1.20
Inc Share Tst	92.71	98.57*	-0.29	8.07
For Halifax funds see Standard Life				
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd. Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 390				
Model Pfolio	195.70	207.60*	-1.90	2.63
Smaller Cos	34.26	36.45	-0.12	0.82
HENDERSON TOUCHE REMNANT				
PO Box 2857, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enquiries: 0277 263 290 Dealing: 0277 234 772				
UK Funds				
Special Sits	291.80	312.21*	-0.02	1.26
Best of British	61.30	65.15	-0.32	2.40
UK Smaller Cos	124.20	133.51*	-0.34	1.19
High Income Funds				
Income & Growth	269.48	286.97	-1.34	3.15
High Income	318.45	340.41	-0.91	3.85
Extra Income	267.31	284.27*	-1.04	5.17
Pref & Gilt	43.92	47.30	-0.05	9.32
International				
International	273.39	291.58	-3.04	0.02
Global Bond	50.22	53.40*	-0.47	5.74
Family of Funds	82.26	87.78	-0.04	0.15
Global Tech	143.48	153.44	-0.87	...
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	193.35	206.76	-1.97	...
European	460.48	488.99	-5.98	0.32
European Income	79.80	84.48*	-0.82	2.62
Euro Smlr Cos	147.59	158.36	-0.83	...
Eur Sp Sits	68.68	73.06	-0.69	0.22
Japan Trust	228.35	242.76	-2.42	...
Japan Special Sits	260.36	277.16	-2.61	...
Pacific Smlr Cos	278.67	296.46	-2.22	...
North American	232.78	247.29	-2.13	0.42
American Smaller	100.74	107.66	-0.69	...
Henderson TR Pension Portfolio				
American Growth	53.51	56.72	-0.35	...
Eur Sp Sits	58.95	62.48	-0.58	...
General Growth	41.23	43.70	-0.21	...
Global Tech	56.13	59.49	-0.33	...
Income Growth	40.97	43.42	-0.19	...
Japan Growth	27.94	29.61	-0.29	...
Overseas Growth	39.94	42.33	-0.48	...
Smaller Cos	22.02	23.34	-0.48	...
Special Opps	29.16	30.90	-0.09	..
Wwide Sp Sits	49.83	52.81	-0.60	..
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST MGRS				
NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	94.61	101.10	-0.80	1.80
Capital	169.00	180.70*	-1.10	1.47
Dollar	333.30	356.40	-3.80	...
European	228.80	242.50	-0.20	...
Far East	345.30	369.30	-3.60	0.14
Financial	789.70	844.50	-4.50	1.31
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	24.34	25.31	-0.10	7.98
High Yield	102.80	109.90	-0.60	4.13
Income & Growth	139.00	148.60	-0.90	3.46
International	253.70	271.30	-2.60	..
Japanese General	211.00	225.60	-2.30	..
Japan Tech	87.27	93.33	-0.56	...
Nat Resources	78.31	83.75	-0.33	...
Portfolio	70.97	75.82	-0.54	1.45
Security	313.30	335.00*	-2.10	1.75
Smaller Cos	128.60	137.50	-0.40	1.06
Special Sits	145.55	155.60*	-1.10	1.90
UK Emerging Cos	91.92	98.31*	-0.29	0.51
US Smaller Cos	71.62	76.59	-0.46	0.46

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JUPITER UT MGRS LTD				
197 Knightsbridge, London SW7 1RB 071 581 3020				
American Cap	142.90	151.00	-1.80	...
Income	144.22	153.42	-0.47	3.90
UK Growth	53.40	56.80	-0.02	0.95
International	86.18	91.67	-0.62	0.25
Ecology	79.98	85.08	-0.50	1.26
European	116.28	123.42	-0.48	...
Far Eastern	344.60	366.50	-1.20	...
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUSTS				
10 Fenchurch Street London EC3 Dealers: 071 956 7354				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	48.98	52.11*	-0.38	7.37
Gilt Yield	109.50	115.50*	-0.30	7.19
Global Income	219.10	233.10*	-1.59	3.90
High Yield	136.50	145.20	-0.75	6.00
Smllr Cos Div	54.15	57.61*	-0.16	2.76
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	92.62	98.53	-0.18	...
North American	75.10	79.89	-0.74	0.25
European Special	96.90	103.10	-0.77	0.15
European	151.80	161.50	-1.70	0.37
General	262.40	279.10	-1.50	3.22
Japan	440.40	468.50	-2.50	...
Japanese Special	268.40	285.50	-2.40	...
Master Accum	239.80	255.20	-1.70	0.84
Pacific	356.20	378.90	-3.70	0.22
Smaller Cos	113.90	121.20	-0.30	0.53
UK Equity Growth	40.81	43.42*	-0.07	1.55
KNIGHT WILLIAMS PRTFOL MGRS				
161 New Bond Street, London W1Y 0LA 071 629 1683				
Global Inc & Gth	63.54	67.60	-0.77	...
Inv Trust	70.33	74.82*	-0.78	...
Cautious Inc/Gth	58.39	62.13	-0.58	0.80
High Inc Acc	54.48	57.97	-0.42	3.50
L & C UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
Broadwalk Hse, 5 Appold St EC2A 2DA 071 588 2800				
Income	596.30	608.50*	...	5.27
Intl & General	430.00	438.80	...	0.01
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MGMT				
1 White Hart Yard SE1 071 407 5966				
Inc & Growth Inc	54.78	58.28	+0.58	4.51
Smaller Cos	56.79	60.09	-0.08	0.83
LAURENTIAN UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
Laurentian Hse, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ Enq: 0452 371 500 Dlg: 0452 371 623				
Growth Trust	241.00	256.40	-1.20	1.95
High Income	105.50	112.30	-0.60	4.18
International	100.80	107.20*	-1.30	0.56
Recovery Trust	62.98	67.00	-0.76	1.36
European Trust	82.19	87.44*	-1.33	0.92
Japanese Trust	46.33	49.29	-0.20	...
American Trust	84.76	90.17	-0.36	...
Managed	67.46	71.77*	-0.23	0.36
Cash	50.71	50.71*	+0.01	4.45
LAZARD UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
21 Moorfields, London EC2P 2HT 071 374 0916				
UK Cap	347.30	353.20*	...	2.39
UK Inc/Gth	374.00	379.40*	...	3.25
UK Income	263.50	267.40*	...	4.20
UK Sm Cos	243.60	252.80*	...	1.70
Euro Gwth	122.40	123.60	...	...
N Amer Gwth	76.66	77.42	...	0.12
Japan Growth	70.51	71.25	...	...
Money Mkt	120.24	120.24	...	2.290
LEGAL & GENERAL (UT MGRS) LTD				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 395				
Equity Dist	453.70	482.70*	-2.60	2.61
Equity Income	96.26	102.40	-0.50	3.82
UK Tactical Allocn	53.88	57.21*	-0.14	2.73
European	112.80	120.00*	-1.90	0.97
Far Eastern	250.10	266.10*	-2.70	...
Fixed Interest	48.25	51.33*	-0.39	7.11
Gilt	84.99	90.13	-0.56	6.81
Global Growth	79.33	84.39	-1.15	0.12
Intl Bond	49.66	52.74*	-0.48	5.08
Japanese	79.74	84.83	-0.77	...
North American	146.00	155.30	-1.70	0.68
Pacific Growth	125.10	133.10*	+1.50	...
UK Index	60.96	64.34	-0.38	3.09
UK Recovery	91.01	96.82	-0.35	1.78
UK Smaller Cos	123.10	131.00	-0.10	1.32
US Index	57.52	60.71	-0.80	1.55
European Index	71.67	75.64*	-1.08	1.53
Japan Index	43.33	45.73	-0.40	...
Worldwide	84.76	90.17	-0.64	1.21
LINCOLN NATIONAL				
1 Olympic Way, Wembley HA9 0NB 081 902 8876 Dealing: 0800 282 621				
Growth	48.73	52.12	-0.27	1.76
Income	58.23	62.61	-0.29	2.69
Far East	58.87	62.96	-0.62	...
North American*	88.82	95.50	-0.67	...
Global	93.27	99.75	-0.95	...
European	86.44	92.45	-0.79	0.32
Japan	114.80	122.90	-1.00	...
Intl Currency Bd	56.82	60.27	-0.34	3.57
SE Asia	121.80	130.30	-1.50	0.12
UK Cap Growth	90.26	96.54*	-0.36	1.56



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Index Funds				
American Index	192.10	204.60	-2.30	1.33
Eurotrack 100	151.60	161.10	-2.50	1.08
Footsie Fund	50.95	53.85	-0.27	2.68
Japan Index	82.86	88.43	-0.97	0.09
Tiger Index	221.40	236.30*	-2.70	0.21
Trixie Index	112.30	119.90*	-0.70	1.82
UK Index	133.50	142.50	-0.80	3.05
Active Funds				
American Growth	468.80	500.30	-4.80	0.61
Asian	60.93	65.03	-1.36	0.14
Capital	567.70	605.90	-4.20	2.09
European Growth	111.90	119.00	-1.60	...
Global Bond	20.24	21.37	-0.22	7.20
Hong Kong Gwth	110.10	117.50	-2.50	0.70
Income	551.00	588.10	-3.40	3.80
Japan Growth	297.90	317.70	-3.20	..
Japan Smllr Cos	39.70	42.37	-0.16	..
Spore & Mlysn Gth	84.31	89.98	+0.86	...
Midland Unit Trusts Dealing 0742 528200 Enquiries 0742 529076				
Balanced	58.94	63.04	-0.32	2.56
(Accum Units)	61.21	65.46	-0.35	2.56
British Tst	80.02	85.58	-0.99	1.96
(Accum Units)	91.99	98.38	-0.68	1.96
Extra High Inc	67.00	71.66	-0.29	6.31
(Accum Units)	126.00	134.70	-0.50	6.31
Gilt & Fxd Int	51.18	53.26*	-0.30	7.49
(Accum Units)	146.00	151.93*	-0.90	7.49
High Yield	220.40	235.70	-1.0	5.13
(Accum Units)	538.40	575.80	-2.30	5.17
Income	282.90	302.60	+0.60	3.37
(Accum Units)	615.80	658.60	+1.20	3.37
Money Market UT	49.57	49.57	+0.02	3.83
(Accum Units)	76.36	76.36	+0.03	3.83
Monthly Income	82.41	88.14*	-0.44	6.04
Midland Personal Pension Unit Trust				
British	95.22	101.30	-0.70	1.94
European Growth	108.00	114.90	-1.50	0.02
Gilt & Fixed	79.16	83.99	-0.46	6.61
Income	82.51	87.78	-0.51	2.91
Japan Growth	56.31	59.90	-0.60	..
Managed	65.85	70.05	-0.40	2.51
Money Market	85.16	90.27	+0.04	4.45
North American	86.42	91.94	-0.87	0.49
Midland FSAVCS Unit Trust				
British	86.48	92.00	-0.63	1.92
European Growth	101.70	108.20	-1.40	0.01
Gilt & Fixed Int	75.44	80.04	-0.43	6.57
Income	81.06	86.23	-0.49	2.98
Japan Growth	56.13	59.71	-0.60	..
Managed	63.34	67.38	-0.34	2.47
Money Market	78.74	83.47	+0.04	4.40
North American	78.75	83.78	-0.78	0.58
Midland Executive Pension Unit Trust				
British	86.57	92.10	-0.64	1.91
European Growth	99.26	105.60	-1.40	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	69.30	73.54	-0.41	6.71
Income	80.29	85.41	-0.50	2.99
Japan Growth	57.48	61.15	-0.61	...
Managed	66.28	70.51	-0.36	2.46
Money Market	73.60	78.02	+0.03	4.46
North American	87.19	92.75	-0.88	0.45
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD				
11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010 733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Investment Tst				
Smaller Cos	30.26	31.38*	-0.08	0.78
Special Features	.	...	...	...
(Accum Units)	.	...	...	..
General Funds				
Managed	70.67	73.35	-0.51	2.41
Rupert Child Fnd	80.53	83.58	-0.32	2.30
UK Growth	57.74	59.93	-0.34	2.36
High Income Funds				
Cashbox (Dist)	50.12	50.17	..	3.81
Cashbox (Acc)	58.27	58.27	..	3.81
Extra Income	91.59	84.69	-0.46	5.38
Gilt & Fixed Int	24.86	25.67*	-0.13	8.46
Income & Growth	39.22	40.71	-0.24	3.11
UK Income	324.60	336.90*	-2.00	3.45
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Growth	49.48	51.25*	-0.43	..
US Smaller Cos	106.70	110.70	-1.70	..
(Accum Units)	107.90	112.00	-1.60	..
Europe Gth	153.00	156.50*	-2.00	.
(Accum Units)	158.10	167.70*	-2.30	.
Euro Smaller Cos	29.42	30.53	-0.08	..
French Growth	77.17	80.10	-1.40	
Accum Units	82.67	85.81	-1.50	..
H Kong & China	92.56	96.07	-1.74	1.43
Intl Growth	57.55	59.73	-0.01	0.34
Accum Units	57.84	60.03	-0.62	0.34
Japan Gth	35.88	37.24	-0.40	..
Accum Units	35.96	37.24	-0.40	..
Japan Smaller Cos	45.66	47.30*	-0.34	.
Glob Emg Mkts	120.80	125.30	-2.10	..
Accum Units	121.70	126.30	-2.00	...
SE Asia	351.90	365.20	-2.90	0.21
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Income	...	...	...	...
Intl Bond	51.28	51.59*	-0.31	5.15

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LLOYDS BK UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
PO Box 63, Chatham, Kent ME4 4YB Helpdesk: 0634 834 339 Dealing: 0634 834 313				
Balanced	332.80	354.10	-4.10	2.82
-do- Acc	746.60	794.30	-9.30	2.82
Contl Euro Gth	62.11	65.38	-1.01	0.75
-do- Acc	66.16	69.65	-1.07	0.75
Extra Inc	252.40	268.60	-3.00	4.20
-do- Acc	640.70	681.70	-7.70	4.20
German Gth	126.00	132.70	-1.80	0.14
-do- Acc	132.10	139.10	-1.90	0.14
Growth Port	528.20	562.00	-19.30	0.11
-do- Acc	537.00	571.30	-14.90	0.11
Income	479.60	510.30	-5.50	3.83
-do- Acc	£12.68	£13.49	-15.00	3.83
Income Port	500.20	532.20	-5.30	4.40
-do- Acc	520.80	554.10	-5.50	4.40
Japan Growth	109.60	116.60	-1.40	...
-do- Acc	110.00	117.10	-1.20	...
Master Trust	56.87	60.51	-0.65	1.43
-do- Acc	63.49	67.55	-0.72	1.43
N American Gen	177.30	188.70	-2.00	...
-do- Acc	204.80	217.90	-2.40	...
NAm Sm Co Rec	136.70	145.50	-1.50	...
-do- Acc	139.60	148.60	-1.40	...
Pacific Basin	280.90	298.90	-3.50	0.50
-do- Acc	298.00	317.10	-3.70	0.50
Small Cos Rec	360.60	379.60	-1.20	1.90
-do- Acc	477.60	502.80	-1.50	1.90
UK Growth	83.04	88.35	-1.03	2.43
-do- Acc	99.73	106.10	-1.30	2.43
Worldwide Gth	319.80	340.30	-4.50	0.28
-do- Acc	471.70	501.90	-6.70	0.28
LONDON & MANCHESTER TST MGMT				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282 673				
American	64.90	69.63	-0.89	0.10
General	84.31	90.46	-0.96	2.30
Income	64.67	69.38*	-0.58	5.30
International	65.33	70.10	-0.90	0.40
Japan	60.96	65.39*	-0.83	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	69.69	74.77	-0.56	1.60
M & G SECURITIES				
M & G House, Victoria Road, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Cust Svs/Unit Dlg: 0245 390 390				
Amer & General	395.30	418.20*	-4.90	0.67
(Accum Units)	491.00	519.10	-6.10	0.67
Amer Recovery	458.20	484.50	-4.40	0.33
(Accum Units)	525.20	555.40	-5.10	0.33
Amer Smllr Cos	129.10	136.50	-0.80	...
(Accum Units)	131.90	139.50	-0.80	...
Australasian	169.10	178.80*	-1.80	1.79
(Accum Units)	205.00	216.80	-2.10	1.79
Capital	813.50	860.30*	-9.00	2.18
(Accum Units)	924.20	977.40	-10.20	2.18
Charifund	675.90	682.70	-9.50	5.57
(Accum Units)	£30.66	£30.97	-42.90	5.57
Commodity	409.70	433.30*	-2.90	0.37
(Accum Units)	600.70	635.40	-4.30	0.37
Compound Grth	902.50	954.40	-23.60	2.68
(Accum Units)	934.00	987.70	-24.40	2.68
Dividend	39.20	41.60	-0.70	4.36
(Accum Units)	161.30	170.70	-3.00	4.36
Equity Income	346.00	365.90*	-3.90	4.72
(Accum Units)	440.30	465.70	-5.00	4.72
Euro & General	507.40	536.60	-6.80	0.92
(Accum Units)	640.60	677.50	-8.60	0.92
Euro Dividend	68.80	72.80	-1.10	3.52
(Accum Units)	82.00	86.80	-1.30	3.52
Extra Yield	400.60	423.60*	-7.90	4.69
(Accum Units)	£12.43	£13.14	-23.40	4.69
Far Eastern	381.30	403.20*	-4.70	0.42
(Accum Units)	505.10	534.10	-6.20	0.42
Fund of Inv Tsts	615.20	650.60	-6.50	1.64
(Accum Units)	£11.40	£12.06	-12.00	1.64
General	58.80	62.20	-0.90	3.75
(Accum Units)	162.10	171.60	-2.50	3.75
Gilt Income	56.89	57.00*	-0.62	7.86
(Accum Units)	153.32	153.62	-1.67	7.86
Gold	73.70	77.90	-0.50	0.62
(Accum Units)	86.90	91.90	-0.60	0.62
High Income	28.10	29.70	-0.40	4.49
(Accum Units)	110.50	116.80	-1.70	4.49
Intl Growth	78.60	83.10*	-1.00	0.88
(Accum Units)	136.90	144.80	-1.60	0.88
International Inc	101.20	107.00	-1.40	4.32
(Accum Units)	146.20	154.60	-2.00	4.32
Japan & Gen	50.10	53.00	-0.90	...
(Accum Units)	53.80	56.90	-0.90	...
Japan Smlr Cos	181.80	192.30	-2.30	...
(Accum Units)	183.10	193.60	-2.40	...
Managed Income	27.00	28.40*	-0.40	1.97
Midland	64.30	68.00	-0.50	2.64
(Accum Units)	211.40	223.80	-1.50	2.64
Pension Ex	919.60	942.60	-14.10	4.12
Recovery	41.00	43.40	-0.50	2.42
(Accum Units)	66.70	70.60	-0.60	2.42
Second General	71.30	75.40	-0.50	3.12
(Accum Units)	182.00	192.40	-1.30	3.32
Smaller Cos	69.60	73.30*		2.78
(Accum Units)	136.70	144.50		2.78
Treasury	25.02	25.07*	-0.01	4.86
Trustee	42.30	44.70	-0.30	4.17
(Accum Units)	166.70	176.30	-1.80	4.11
MGM UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
MGM House, Heene Rd. Worthing Dealing: 0277 261 010 Enq: 0903 204 631				
European Growth	80.34	85.46	-0.86	0.59
High Income	282.20	300.20	-2.50	4.17
Intl Bond	60.51	63.63	-0.66	0.29
Intl Equity Growth	70.56	75.03	-0.75	0.41
N Amer Growth	93.28	99.23*	-1.54	0.80
Special Sits Growth	21.11	22.45*	-0.10	1.59
UK Growth	363.70	386.90	-3.60	2.66

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MW INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD				
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Joint Investors	£12.83	£13.07	...	2.30
MALDON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
c/o Baillie Gifford 1 Rutland Ct EH3 8EY 031 222 4242				
Maldon General	142.40	146.40	...	4.14
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD				
St George's Way, Stevenage Dealings: 0438 747 414				
Growth Units	187.30	200.20	-1.90	2.53
Gilt & Fxd Int	159.10	167.60	-1.60	7.07
Intl Growth	213.10	226.70	-2.50	0.17
North American	179.80	191.80	-1.70	0.38
Far East	289.70	309.80	-3.70	0.82
UK Smaller Cos	170.00	181.80	-0.70	1.77
European	80.83	86.05	-1.40	0.12
Japanese Growth	50.90	54.10	-0.46	...
High Income	180.00	192.50	-2.00	4.65
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST LTD				
PO Box 410, Chester X CH99 9QG 0244 680 066				
M & S Inv Pfolio	146.10	155.40	-0.77	2.07
-do- Accum	166.20	176.90	-0.77	2.07
UK Sel Pfolio	125.70	133.70	-0.52	2.34
-do- Accum	144.50	153.70	-0.52	2.34
MARLBOROUGH FUND MGRS LTD				
57 Victoria Square, Bolton BL1 1LA 0204 364 842				
Managed Tst	62.34	65.15*	...	4.17
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Saltire Crt, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh 031 479 4646				
Intl Income	70.42	74.76*	-1.07	4.40
European	79.87	84.79	-1.13	0.41
Income & Growth	71.33	75.72*	-1.74	2.85
Nth American	59.17	62.81	-0.64	0.64
Far East	180.00	191.10	-1.90	...
Japan	60.10	63.80	-0.58	...
Emrging Mkts	120.40	128.80	-0.80	...
Intl Growth	110.90	117.70	-1.80	0.20
UK Growth	86.28	91.59	-0.70	0.81
UK Smlr Co	46.41	49.27	-0.24	0.53
Asian Opps Fd	43.13	46.13	-0.45	0.12
MAYFLOWER MANAGEMENT CO LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Income	397.52	422.89*	-1.88	4.02
Global Inc	64.42	68.53*	-0.31	2.65
Brit Leaders	327.41	348.31*	-1.53	2.60
Intl Leaders	196.02	208.53*	-1.69	0.93
FAM Mg Bal Grth	64.30	66.81*	-0.81	0.67
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33 King William St EC4R 9AS Dealing: 071 280 2860				
American	195.70	208.10	-2.60	..
(Accum Units)	209.20	222.30	-2.90	...
British Blue Chip	77.03	81.90	-0.79	3.04
(Accum Units)	93.24	99.14	-0.86	3.04
Cash	100.70	100.70	+0.10	4.80
(Accum Units)*	135.70	135.70	...	4.80
Emerging Mkts	129.60	139.40	-0.90	0.18
European Growth	244.60	259.20*	-4.00	0.28
(Accum Units)	263.70	279.50*	-4.60	0.28
European Income	81.41	86.08	-1.09	3.34
(Accum Units)	108.40	114.60	-1.50	3.34
General	480.90	512.80*	-4.50	2.42
(Accum Units)	937.30	999.60*	-8.40	2.42
Global Bond	115.90	121.80*	-0.60	6.72
(Accum Units)	139.50	146.50*	-1.10	6.72
Gold & General	231.70	249.10	-1.00	0.36
(Accum Units)	237.70	255.60	-1.20	0.36
Govt Securities	86.24	88.93	-0.62	6.37
(Accum Units)	163.80	168.90	-1.20	6.37
Income	146.60	155.90*	-2.00	4.45
(Accum Units)	225.60	239.90	-2.90	4.39
Inc Portfolio	93.40	99.04	-0.91	5.25
(Accum Units)	93.40	99.04	-0.91	5.25
International	467.00	496.40	-6.80	0.33
(Accum Units)	622.80	662.10	-9.10	0.33
Japan	199.00	210.90	-2.60	...
(Accum Units)	204.20	216.60	-2.60	...
New Europe	178.30	190.20	-2.70	0.74
(Accum Units)	182.30	194.50	-2.70	0.74
Pacific	135.20	144.20	-1.80	0.80
(Accum Units)	144.70	154.30	-1.10	0.80
Recovery	311.30	332.10	-1.60	0.78
(Accum Units)	395.80	422.20	-2.00	0.78
UK Smaller Cos	59.63	63.60*	+1.71	0.85
(Accum Units)	67.43	71.93*	-1.84	0.85
Portfolio	77.87	82.79*	-0.92	2.79
(Accum Units)	91.41	97.18*	-1.08	2.79
METROPOLITAN UT MGRS LTD				
3 Darkes Lane. Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 662 233				
Eurogrowth Plus	113.85	121.12	-1.88	0.89
Portfolio	66.36	70.60	-0.73	0.07
UK Income Inc	73.13	77.80	-0.77	4.82
MILLENNIUM FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard. London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
International (US$)	13.54	13.34	...	...
MORGAN GRENFELL INVEST FDS LTD				
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealers: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gwth	318.60	338.60	-3.10	...
European Gth Inc	418.70	448.00	-6.20	0.29
Intl Gwth	195.90	209.00	-2.10	...
UK Equity Inc	176.80	188.70	-1.90	3.11
UK Ind Trckr Inc	152.60	163.50	-1.90	2.25
US Eq Ind Trk Inc	190.80	202.20	-2.90	1.42
Japan Tracker	79.21	83.91	-0.97	..
Asian Trader	228.60	246.90	-2.90	0.27
Managed Inc	151.80	163.30	-1.30	1.42
Deposit Inc	99.87	99.87	+0.02	4.07
Europa	180.20	193.50	-2.10	0.26
Genesis	155.60	170.50	-0.20	2.22
High Income	21.88	23.23	-0.06	10.00
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UT MGMT				
7 West Nile St. Glasgow G1 2PX 0345 090 933				
Acumen	91.45	93.60	-1.07	2.13
Acumen Inc	87.52	89.58	-1.02	2.13
Acumen Reserve	78.25	79.03	-0.80	8.43
-do- Inc	69.33	70.02	-0.71	8.43
America Growth	169.20	173.80*	-1.00	0.08
Cash Income	49.71	49.71*	+0.02	4.44
Equity Income	92.57	95.10*	-1.33	4.70
European	71.08	72.53*	-1.34	...
Smaller Cos	78.53	81.84	-0.41	1.05
Olympiad	69.19	70.84*	-0.74	..
Global Bond	41.66	42.43*	-0.33	6.59
UK Growth	88.51	91.00	-1.07	1.81
Pacific Growth	119.70	123.40	-1.00	...
Japan Growth	101.00	102.60	-0.60	...
NFU MUTUAL UNIT MGRS LTD				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood. Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Avon Equity	117.31	124.80	-0.31	2.88
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
35 Fountain St. Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
UK Growth	72.14	76.75	-0.28	2.18
UK Income	105.40	112.20	-0.70	3.79
Gilt & Fixed Int	65.85	69.69*	-0.42	6.58
Higher Income	216.50	230.40	-1.20	4.67
Smaller Cos	94.11	99.48*	-0.23	1.78
International	95.56	101.66	-0.86	1.81
NATIONAL PROV INV MGRS LTD				
48 Gracechurch St EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
American Dist	105.60	112.90	-1.30	...
European Dist	109.20	116.80	-1.40	...
Far East Dist	198.90	212.70*	-2.80	...
Global Care Dist	67.16	71.83	-0.31	1.75
Oseas Dist	£10.52	£11.25*	-9.90	0.07
UK Dist	332.80	355.60	-2.00	2.39
UK Extra Inc Dist	74.33	79.50*	-0.56	3.98
Wwide Dist	107.30	114.70	-1.20	0.09
Wwide Inc Dist	70.18	75.06	-0.55	2.12
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER UT MGRS				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Dlg: 0277 690 280 Admin Enq: 0277 690 398				
Europe Inc	63.15	66.65	-0.70	0.48
Fund of Funds Inc	58.38	61.61	-0.35	0.84
North America Inc	48.96	51.69	-0.45	0.50
UK Equity Grth Inc	57.96	61.17	-0.31	2.04
UK General Inc	56.57	59.70	-0.31	2.51
UK Gilt/Fix Int Inc	44.88	47.26	-0.24	7.43
UK Income Inc	56.48	59.61*	-0.30	3.02
NEWTON FUND MGRS LTD				
71 Queen Victoria St. London EC4V 4DR Dealer: 0500 440 000 Private client: 0500 550 000 Broker: 0500 660 000 *Price enquiry freephone 0500 33 00 00*				
Income	226.17	240.61	-0.64	3.38
Global	352.28	375.30*	-3.29	0.71
General	187.54	199.52	-1.19	1.90
Bond	112.17	119.11	-1.22	7.28
Growth	122.12	129.97	-0.63	2.30
Intrepid	123.76	128.92	...	1.70
Bridge Fund	88.19	93.82	...	...
Distributor	88.50	94.15*	-0.41	3.41
NORWICH UNION TST MANAGERS				
PO Box 124, Surrey Street, Norwich 0603 682 234				
Master Trust	119.80	127.43*	-1.06	1.89
UK Equity	133.21	141.71*	-1.02	3.07
UK Equity Income	128.97	137.20	-1.10	3.28
UK Smaller Cos	118.70	126.28	-0.14	1.36
UK Equity Growth	124.21	132.14*	-0.77	2.25
UK Index Trckg	134.15	142.71*	-1.88	3.49
Intl Index Trckg	142.66	151.77*	-1.75	1.08
International	235.39	250.41	-2.22	0.38
European	193.15	205.48*	-2.20	0.30
Pan European	129.54	137.81	-1.18	1.37
Nth American	161.92	172.26	-1.66	0.51
N Amer Smlr Cos	182.60	194.26	-1.48	...
Japanese	100.81	107.24*	-0.77	...
Pacific	250.60	266.60	-2.14	0.03
South East Asian	280.37	298.27	-3.05	0.26
Intl Bond	124.01	131.83	-1.18	4.81
Gilt & Convertible	98.89	105.12	-0.45	6.71
Property	85.85	91.33	-0.08	4.97
PEARL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Pearl Centre, Lynch Wd, Peterborough PE2 6FY Dlg: 0800 626 577 Enq: 0733 470 470				
Equity	234.00	248.90	-2.50	2.38
Growth	191.40	199.30	-1.40	2.49
Income	234.60	249.50	-2.60	3.60
Intl Equity	250.10	266.00*	-3.80	0.73
UK Income	64.33	68.43	-0.70	3.21
UK Intl 25	77.55	82.49	-0.88	1.81
New Europe	78.48	83.48	-1.17	0.07
PERPETUAL UNIT TST MGMT				
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417 000				
Intl Gwth	615.48	658.27	+2.66	0.20
Income	332.82	355.96*	+2.06	3.13
Wwide Recovery	390.03	417.15	+0.91	0.10
Amer Growth Inc	220.43	238.76	+2.83	0.01
Intl Emerging Cos	254.23	271.91	+0.56	0.01
Far Esn Grth Inc	305.30	326.53	+1.43	0.01
Euro Gwth Inc	140.42	150.19	+1.81	0.46
UK Growth Inc	84.17	90.03	-0.22	2.58
High Income	90.95	97.28	+0.35	3.95
Jap Gwth Inc	241.06	256.74	+1.25	0.01
PEP Growth	119.72	128.09	+0.38	0.64
Asian Sir Mkts Inc	136.74	146.25	+1.58	0.01
Amer Smlr Co Inc	131.58	140.73	+0.70	0.01
Global Bond	52.66	55.47*	-0.03	6.29
UK Smaller Cos Inc	79.61	85.15	-0.11	1.04
PILGRIM UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6RQ 091 281 3427				
American	102.77	109.33	+0.30	...
European	71.00	75.53	+0.14	...
Global	68.98	73.38	-0.06	...
Pacific	68.09	72.49	-0.41	...
UK Inc & Grth	64.77	68.90	+0.17	2.01
POINTON YORK UT MGRS				
The Crescent, King St, Leicester LE1 6RX 0533 550 540				
BRI Director Digs	100.95	107.51	+3.26	0.35
PORTFOLIO FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Portfolio	160.63	169.08	-3.04	0.63
PREMIUM LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
37 Perrymount Rd. Haywards Heath 0444 458 721				
Monthly Income	59.06	62.60	-0.33	2.28
Growth Income	62.08	65.80	-0.56	1.90
PRINCIPAL UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
16 South Park, Sevenoaks TN13 1AN 0732 740 700				
Principal Tst	128.88	137.11*	+0.25	1.73

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PROLIFIC UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook EC4N 8LD Enquiries: 071 280 3700 Dealing: 0800 282 443				
American Income	92.81	98.75	-1.05	3.43
Conv & Gilt	113.70	121.00*	-0.60	6.03
European Income	73.95	78.68	-1.13	2.80
Extra Income	145.60	154.80*	-1.30	3.91
Far East	436.10	465.50	-4.40	0.25
Global Income	25.40	27.02	-0.29	4.59
High Income	116.10	123.50	-1.00	3.45
International	214.20	227.90	-2.20	0.52
Pref & Fxd Int	40.53	43.12	-0.11	7.56
Recovery	72.32	76.94	-0.50	2.43
Special Sits	105.50	112.20	-0.50	1.26
Technology	333.40	354.60	-2.20	...
UK Blue Chip	66.58	70.83*	-0.65	2.92
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone ME14 1XX 0622 674 751				
General	51.09	54.35*	-0.98	2.19
International	89.60	95.32	-1.20	0.38
Gilt	23.73	24.69*	-0.09	6.65
Income & Gwth	69.28	73.70*	-0.46	5.42
European	51.13	54.39	-0.85	0.43
American	52.43	55.78	-0.50	...
Emerging Mkts	94.62	100.66	-0.42	0.03
UK Smaller Cos	29.58	31.47*	-0.05	2.23
Gilt/Fixed Interest	24.24	25.29*	-0.18	7.06
Global PEP	39.31	41.82	-0.39	1.17
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FD MGRS LTD				
2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768 888				
European Inc	269.70	287.10	-3.70	0.79
Japan Inc	113.50	121.20	-0.80	...
Nth American Inc	108.00	114.70*	-1.70	0.12
Worldwide Inc	167.60	180.20*	-1.40	0.72
Hong Kong Inc	151.10	162.30*	-3.20	0.21
Swiss Equities Inc	66.41	71.13	-0.26	0.36
Wwide Bond Inc	58.04	61.37*	-0.29	5.66
Emging Asia Inc	238.50	259.30	-1.10	0.41
UK Money Mkt Inc	50.22	50.22*	...	4.93
Thailand Inc	180.70	194.30	-1.60	0.66
Gold Trust Inc	86.39	93.23	-0.18	0.15
New Zealand Inc	85.66	92.21	-0.98	1.20
Int Mngd PEP Inc	65.40	70.43	-0.67	1.68
Latin Am Cmp Inc	95.41	102.70	-1.00	0.03
UK All Sh Mkt Inc	56.58	60.75	-0.37	2.22
Broker Unit Trusts				
Global Trustees	82.10	87.81	+0.23	1.45
Global Portfolio	74.49	79.85	+0.20	...
Global Opps	75.61	80.87	+0.05	0.42
March Global Gth	68.60	72.75	-0.86	1.89
AAM Global Equity	55.88	59.45	+0.14	0.75
CAM Brit Gwth Inc	86.33	95.55	-0.41	0.94
CAM Int Recry Inc	45.27	47.33	...	1.04
Temple Equity Inc	44.57	48.68	-0.27	2.05
Hartley Growth	76.53	81.41*	-0.40	0.56
Intl Growth Inc	85.43	91.37*	+0.18	1.45
IPS Portfolio Inc	89.10	95.29	-0.11	0.22
St Jms Mn Inc Inc	46.48	47.91	-0.21	2.70
Premier Perfms Inc	68.61	73.38	...	0.93
Roxburgh Strat Gth	75.12	80.34	+0.06	0.34
Tech Analysts	98.98	105.30*	-0.70	0.31
Rosebery Growth	52.37	57.75	-0.32	...
International Strat	81.11	86.75	+0.29	...
UFC Ind-Acc Grth	55.33	59.46	+0.04	...
Coverdale Topout	53.52	57.87	+0.12	...
Prem Equity Inc	108.30	114.40	...	...
Lowes Intl Growth	45.21	47.59*	-0.06	1.22
PROVIDENT MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD				
25-31 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BA 071 588 3903				
Equity Gth	167.60	178.30	-2.60	1.63
European Gth	98.18	103.90	-1.0	0.16
Income & Gth	130.30	138.60*	-2.10	2.98
Japan Gth	127.60	135.10	-1.70	...
Nth Amer Gth	113.60	120.80	-1.30	0.17
Overseas Gth	90.29	95.97	-1.05	...
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377 Client Enq: 071 911 4490 Intermed dlg: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925 091				
Managed Tst	36.49	39.02	-0.29	1.34
Cash Haven Inc	101.14	101.64*	+0.03	3.76
Cash Haven Acc	109.88	110.42*	+0.03	3.76
Dist Trust Inc	93.04	99.50	-0.51	4.63
Dist Trust Acc	94.02	100.55	-0.51	4.63
Global Growth	87.13	93.18*	-0.57	1.14
Equity Inc	81.57	87.23*	-0.49	3.42
Equity	706.37	755.47	-3.03	2.21
European	207.62	222.05	-2.43	0.71
High Income	85.29	91.21*	-0.53	4.95
Intl Grth	178.95	191.39	-1.96	1.01
Intl Sm Co	78.26	83.70	-0.66	0.31
Japanese	229.07	244.99*	-1.83	...
Nth Amer	160.63	171.50	-1.95	1.61
Pacific Mkts	110.29	117.95*	-1.53	0.27
Premier Inc	45.47	47.31	-0.26	4.50
Sm Cos	87.32	93.39	-0.24	1.58
Spec Sits	105.75	113.10	-0.88	2.13
UK Growth	117.53	125.70*	...	2.26
RELIANCE UNIT MGRS LTD				
Reliance House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 0892 510 033				
British Life	296.10	314.10	-3.50	3.27
ROCK ASSET MGMT (UNIT TRUST) LTD				
Bulman House, Regent Centre, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 3NG 091 285 2355				
Managed	96.14	102.00	...	2.05
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT				
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4 Dealers: 071 280 5000				
FA America (Inc)	511.29	543.84*	-6.56	0.37
FA America (Acc)	597.75	635.81	-7.67	0.37
FA UK Equity Inc	153.91	164.22	-1.46	3.42
FA Japan	275.08	293.85	-1.05	...
FA Major UK Cos	91.40	97.47	-1.04	2.26
FA Smllr UK Cos	293.83	310.86*	+0.06	1.12
FA European	317.56	337.10	-4.02	0.40
FA Amer Smllr Cos	43.65	46.94	-0.33	...
FA Asia	53.08	57.08	-0.82	...
FA Jap Smllr Cos	56.78	60.79	...	...
RAM Personal Pension				
UK Major Cos	91.44	96.24	-1.03	...
UK Smllr Cos	84.16	88.58	-0.01	...
UK Income	90.52	95.28	-0.84	...
America	102.45	107.83	-1.30	...
Japanese	60.46	63.64	-0.23	...
European	101.43	106.76	-1.27	...
Gilt	81.54	85.82	-0.86	...
Deposit	81.72	86.02	+0.04	...
Managed	95.52	100.54	-0.58	...
RAM FSAVC Scheme				
UK Major Cos	89.12	93.80	-0.89	...
UK Smaller Cos	82.31	86.63	+0.02	...
UK Income	88.39	93.03	-0.83	...
America	99.81	105.06	-1.27	...
Japanese	58.93	62.02	-0.23	...
European	98.89	104.09	-1.24	...
Gilt	80.25	84.49	-0.74	...
Deposit	77.87	81.97	+0.03	...
Managed	90.59	95.36	-0.89	...
ROYAL LIFE FD MGMT LTD				
PO Box 34, Peterborough PE2 6UE Prices: 0733 282 828 Gen. Enq: 0733 390 000 Dealing: 0733 393 000				
United States	74.76	79.36*	-0.24	0.17
Pacific Basin	86.41	92.85	-1.41	...
High Inc Dist	122.40	130.90*	-1.30	5.09
Ryl Life Int Cmry	56.69	60.32*	-0.63	3.93
Ryl Life Intl Gwth	68.27	72.90	-0.08	0.027
Ryl Life Intl Spec	65.18	69.33	-0.73	...
UK Emerging Cos	122.10	137.40	-0.20	1.12
UK Index Trckg	160.00	170.30	-6.40	3.24
European	127.30	137.00	-2.00	0.28
Managed	144.50	155.40	-1.50	0.82
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
Royal Ldn Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 764 400				
American Growth	141.80	150.10	-2.60	0.19
European Growth	111.80	118.10*	-1.50	0.60
Far East Growth	142.80	152.00	-1.00	0.11
Japan Growth	146.30	155.60	-2.20	...
Special Sits	194.10	206.40*	-1.10	1.31
UK Growth	73.72	78.42	-1.23	2.29
Triton General	239.40	254.70	-3.90	0.52
ST JAMES'S PLACE UT GROUP LTD				
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NS 041 307 6500				
Far East Inc	184.50	195.20	-1.60	0.25
Gtr Euro Prog Inc	341.70	361.60	-2.40	0.54
Growth Inc	133.00	140.70	-1.00	0.26
International Inc	340.80	360.60	-2.80	0.06
Nth Am & Intl Inc	321.60	340.30	-4.10	0.12
UK Gen Prog Inc	216.70	229.30	-0.90	1.20
UK High Inc Inc	132.20	139.90	-0.80	3.81
SANWA INTL INVEST SERVICES LTD				
City Place Hse, 55 Basinghall St EC2V 5DJ 071 330 0572				
American Gwth	66.20	70.42	-0.44	...
Amer Smllr Cos	82.02	87.25	-0.91	...
Asian Gwth	122.47	130.28	-1.28	0.75
European Gwth	88.56	92.93	-0.83	1.00
Global Bd	57.44	60.73	-0.31	5.00
Global Eq	67.45	71.75	-0.40	0.50
Japanese Eq	58.94	62.69	-0.75	...
Japan Sm Cos	69.83	74.29	-0.65	...
UK Gen	52.41	55.75	-0.53	2.80
UK Gwth	57.30	60.96	-0.41	1.75
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP				
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Amer Inc & Gwth	66.25	70.48	-0.85	4.00
Amer Smllr Cos	108.40	115.30	-0.90	...
Asian Smaller Cos	51.94	55.26	-0.62	...
Capital Portfolio	124.50	132.40	-2.30	2.18
Capital	161.20	172.10	-2.70	0.63
Cash	124.40	124.40*	+0.10	4.47
China Dragon	67.24	71.53	-1.35	0.35
Commodity	142.00	151.10	-0.40	0.48
Eastern Discovery	114.30	121.60	...	...
Energy Inds	131.10	139.50	-1.50	0.36
European Gwth	187.40	199.40	-2.40	0.03
Euro Inc & Gwth	75.96	80.81	-1.24	2.00
Euro Smllr Cos	53.45	56.86	-0.47	...
Financial Secs	198.70	211.40	-2.70	0.57
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	46.19	48.74*	-0.37	9.62
Gold & Exploration	90.98	96.79	-0.35	0.23
High Return	223.00	237.20	-3.0	4.29
High Yield	222.00	236.20*	-7.40	3.52
Income	116.50	123.90*	-1.40	4.44
Intl Bond	155.90	164.70*	-1.60	5.80
ITU	211.10	224.60	-2.40	1.04
Japan Growth	186.60	198.50*	-2.10	...
Japan Smaller	214.50	228.20	-1.10	...
Korea	79.35	84.41	+1.23	...
Masterfund	56.67	60.29	-1.03	0.29
Scotbits	298.60	317.70	-5.30	0.97
Scotshares	281.50	299.50	-4.60	2.25
Scotyields	234.80	249.80*	-3.90	3.77
Select Intl	146.10	155.40	-1.80	0.45
Smaller Cos Inc	254.60	270.90*	-4.0	3.17
SE Asia	635.20	675.70	-4.80	...
Special Situation	120.00	127.70	-2.10	1.53
UK Equity	236.50	251.60*	-5.10	2.98
UK Growth	61.66	65.62	-1.02	1.42
UK Smllr Cos Gwth	48.35	51.44	-0.07	0.68
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Euro Smllr Cos	77.41	82.57	-0.71	0.20
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Gilt & Fixed Int	47.79	50.36*	-0.19	7.85
Global Bond	47.98	49.59	-0.25	6.72
Global Emer Mkts	61.95	66.08	-0.20	...
Income	339.15	360.09*	-3.52	3.77
Japan Smllr Cos	535.16	570.83	-1.72	...
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Pacific Gwth	147.97	157.83*	-1.20	0.08
Seoul	50.85	54.68	-0.11	...
Smaller Cos	212.85	227.03	-0.74	0.77
Tokyo	127.53	136.03*	-0.82	...
UK Enterprise	244.73	261.03	-0.76	2.27
UK Equity	231.67	247.11	-0.80	2.61
US Smllr Cos	155.33	165.68	+1.93	...
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Cash	100.00	100.00*	+1.67	4.73
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Income	128.00	135.40*	-0.90	4.75
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Ethical	54.59	58.07*	...	2.90
European Growth	73.08	77.88	...	2.50
Income	54.74	58.38	...	3.80
Intl Growth	99.95	106.50	...	2.60
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UK Equity Gth Acc	65.12	69.03	-1.30	1.68
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UK Eq Hi Inc Inc	36.21	38.48	-0.50	3.71
UK Eq Hi Inc Acc	43.91	46.66	-0.50	3.71
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UK Equity Gen Acc	44.83	47.64	-0.70	2.19
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UK Lrgr Co Inc	...	...	...	...
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	28.98	30.95	-0.40	6.28
Gth Lrg Co Acc	318.00	339.70	-4.80	1.54
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European	543.10	577.90	-2.80	0.80
Japan	164.20	174.30	-0.90	...
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Investment Tst	231.10	245.00	-1.50	1.32
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Equity Income	89.63	95.86	-0.45	4.80
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Mngd Inc/Gth Inc	73.57	78.68	-0.61	3.33
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Brit Growth	93.51	99.48*	-1.25	1.98
European	112.09	119.24*	-1.67	0.04
Extra Income	192.77	206.08*	-1.24	4.09
Smaller Cos	72.54	77.17*	-0.21	1.32
General	273.52	290.97	-1.73	2.53
Premier Income	48.62	50.64	-0.28	6.34
Income	339.18	360.83	-1.75	3.63
Pacific	454.80	483.89	-5.23	...
International	555.10	590.54	-5.69	0.03
Nat Resources	178.31	189.69	-0.16	...
Stead Opps	104.53	111.20*	-0.77	1.38
Environmental Inv	62.29	66.27	-0.42	2.22
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High Income	63.91	67.99	-0.28	4.40
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Selector Income	60.59	64.46	-0.33	4.79
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European Growth	271.72	288.50	-4.48	0.80
Exempt	513.96	538.06	-3.92	3.60
Global Em Mkts	118.25	126.13*	-0.91	0.60
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Japan Tst	87.08	92.65	-0.89	...
Little Dragons	101.00	107.73	-2.61	...
Nth Amer Gwth	222.67	236.98	-3.26	0.30
Oriental Income	49.94	53.26*	-0.03	4.20
Preference	117.63	120.80	-0.03	8.70
Tiger	311.76	332.54	-3.92	...
UK Blue Chip	60.36	64.45	-0.30	3.10
UK Growth	496.35	530.85	-3.80	2.20
UK high Yield	103.37	110.55	-0.87	3.50
UK Mid-Cap	256.24	274.05	-2.07	2.00
UK Smllr Cos	104.15	111.39	-0.39	1.10
UK Smllr Cos Div	98.83	105.70	-0.03	4.80
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Pacific Basin	42.47	45.18	-0.39	...
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Global Bond (US$)	0.87	0.91	+0.00	5.91
Penny Share	32.16	34.21	-0.14	0.30
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Challenger	89.56	91.64	-0.94	...
Short Dtd Gilt	102.00	108.50	-0.30	...
US Govt Bd (US$)	0.73	0.76	-0.00	0.84
Gilt Income	47.64	49.50*	-0.38	7.50
Gilt Growth	66.05	68.75	-0.84	...
Cty Reserve	52.92	52.93	...	4.40
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What happened to Aunt Flo?

A TV documentary tonight will probe a woman's conviction for murder. Tim Devlin reports





Florence Jackson and, inset, Sheila Bowler, the woman convicted of her murder

If ever there was a case for investigation by Hercule Poirot, Miss Marple or Sherlock Holmes, it was the mysterious disappearance of Florence Jackson, aged 89, whose body was found floating in the River Brede, near Rye, East Sussex, on a May morning two years ago.

The circumstances that led to her drowning are the subject tonight of a Channel 4 *Trial and Error* documentary (at 9pm), which questions some of Bexhill CID's investigative procedures and the way in which Sheila Bowler, Mrs Jackson's niece and a respectable Rye widow, was convicted for a murder which I am convinced, through personal knowledge of her character, she did not commit. She has now spent 14 months in prison, and her case is expected to go to appeal this autumn.

On May 13, 1992, at about 8pm, Mrs Bowler, a retired 62-year-old music teacher, collected Mrs Jackson, who was her late husband's frail Aunt Flo, from a nursing home in Winchelsea to take her for a few days to her own house in Rye. It was dark by the time they were driving home. Mrs Bowler says she felt the steering failing, stopped the car and found a partially flat tyre. She had no spare wheel and decided to call for help at a nearby house, where she asked to use the telephone. Aunt Flo was left in the front seat. Some 30 minutes later Mrs Bowler returned to find the car empty.

Mrs Bowler's immediate reaction was that her aunt could not have walked far on her own. It was later widely accepted that with a wrist broken a few months previously in a fall, Aunt Flo could not have manoeuvred herself out of the car and 650 yards down that remote country lane to the pumping station, and from there, in the dark, down the steep bank where one of her slippers was found, to the place in the water underlying a concrete culvert where her body was subsequently spotted by a police helicopter pilot.

There was no forensic evidence to link Mrs Bowler with the riverbank or with the injuries her aunt sustained. There were no tyre marks or footprints. No blood, mud or damp were found on Mrs Bowler's clothes. "With hindsight," said the judge, Mr Justice Garland (in his summing up), "it would have been beneficial if more tests had been carried out."

In good detective thriller tradition, the police seem to have fastened on to the obvious suspect fairly early on. The motive was said to be that fear of the cost of the nursing home fees would whittle away the value of the victim's home, which Mrs Bowler would be due to inherit.

My wife and I, friends of Mrs Bowler since the late 1970s, started from the opposite end of the spectrum, convinced of her innocence. Nothing perhaps that would stand up in a court of law, but a conviction that she would never commit such a crime.

We also knew that she cared passionately about her daughter's musical career, and that if she had committed this cruel and callous murder, she would not have planned it on the eve of her daughter's final music degree examination. The idea of Aunt Flo being rich was laughable — her dingy flat is worth £30,000. Furthermore she had for years been cared for so diligently by Mrs Bowler that we assumed the case would be dismissed. We were wrong. The jury at Hove Crown Court in July 1993 returned a guilty verdict of 11-1.

Through my late father, Lord Devlin, we had sufficient legal contacts to be advised that, without fresh evidence, the Court of Appeal might not easily overrule such a verdict, unless the judge had erred in law in summing up.

How, on legal aid, was fresh evidence to be obtained? The legal transcripts alone would cost about £1,000 for each day's court proceedings. The first solicitor we approached warned us that the initial consultation would cost £200 an hour.

> The burden of proof at the trial had in effect been reversed

During the trial, prosecution evidence that the tyre had been deliberately let down was found to be inconclusive. The assertion that Aunt Flo had been given a shove from the top of the riverbank was disproved, and a subsequent theory of how in the dark Mrs Bowler had led her aunt down to the steep river's edge and along some precarious ledges was laughed out of court.

Mid-way through the trial, Mrs Bowler's defence argued there was no case to answer. The judge agreed that every plank of direct evidence against Mrs Bowler had collapsed. But the judge still felt that there was evidence on which the jury could properly reach a guilty verdict.

In what was a crucial decision, he argued *in camera* that the jury could ask: "If not the defendant, then who?" If the jury could not think who else could have killed Aunt Flo, then it must have been Mrs Bowler — in effect reversing the burden of proof.

David Jessel, presenter of *Trial and Error*, says in his book on the Channel 4 series that he cannot see how the jury, once it had accepted that Mrs Jackson was unable to walk by herself, could have come to any logical conclusion other than Mrs Bowler's guilt. As David Jessel put it, it had either to be her, an alien invader or a Libyan assassin.

The judge told the jury that they were entitled to ask themselves whether anyone else could have done it. But as criminal silk Anthony Hooper, QC, says: "There is always a danger that by concentrating on who else could have done it, one forgets that the real issue is: has the prosecution proved that she did it?"

Luckily for Mrs Bowler, many of her other friends were also convinced of her innocence. One was a constituent of Chris Mullin, MP. Her approach to him was a factor which led to the initial interest by the *Trial and Error* team.

The programme suggests the obvious answer to Aunt Flo's disappearance — that like many confused, elderly people in old people's homes, she might have been much more mobile than imagined. This theory was dismissed by almost all at the trial except, interestingly enough, by Aunt Flo's own doctor. It is just possible that, terrified at being left alone, she managed to open the car door, get out and shuffle along the flat road surface to her death.

New evidence shown on the programme could justify a referral of the case to the Court of Appeal. On it, leading geriatric experts confirm that Mrs Bowler was highly likely to want to get out; one, on the basis of her medical reports, said it was "within the bounds of possibility".

The police investigation used questionable tactics such as implanting a "friendly" police officer into Mrs Bowler's home, who collected evidence which could be used against her.

In such cases, how are investigations to be carried out? Legal aid would not carry the cost, and television investigations, though invaluable, want to produce good television. The case for an investigative review body with adequate resources, as urged by the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice, is compelling. In the meantime, the case against our friend Mrs Bowler has not been proved beyond all reasonable doubt.

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Can fundholders cut the legal aid bill?

The team of Treasury-led officials carrying out the fundamental review of how taxpayers' money is spent on legal services and legal aid is said to be drawn to the idea of GP-style fundholders. These fundholders — not lawyers — would act as middlemen between the lawyer and legal aid funds: they would decide who should have legal aid, and for what kind of case, and so bring incentives into the system not to spend legal aid.

The idea comes from a memorandum* recently published by the Social Market Foundation, and there are rumours that it will form the main plank of the review team's report in the autumn, and then of a Green Paper in the new year.

The combination of authorship and argument in the memorandum certainly merits some attention. Tony Holland, a former president of the Law Society, joins a law professor and a health economist in arguing that his fellow Law Society members are the major reason for escalating legal aid expenditure.



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They have created "supplier-induced demand", because they control who gets assistance and how much. This has been fanned by the "moral hazard" that affects any suppliers of services to customers for which someone else is paying. The answer is to cap the legal aid budget: "fundholders for justice" to dole out the money, bulk contracts with lawyers at lower prices, and more money direct from clients.

Government ministers will commend Mr Holland's Pauline conversion to the principle of capping the income of his one-time colleagues. But despite his undoubted courage in taking that stance, greater care needs to be taken in the argument. The Government might do well to pause before accepting his logic.

To begin with, the success of fundholding in the NHS is not entirely clear to all observers. Leaving this aside, however, fundholding's translation into legal aid would mask a key inadequacy in the underlying analysis by Mr Holland and his co-authors.

The cost of legal aid may have risen to some degree because lawyers have sought out some cases and prolonged others. However, there are other causes, among them government policy. Around 5 per cent of all legal aid expenditure goes on the police station advice scheme implemented to offset greater police powers in 1986. Its cost is likely to rise substantially as the result of the abolition of the right of silence in current legislation. Expenditure on family cases has risen from 18 per cent to 27 per cent of the total legal aid budget over the last five years, largely as the result of government policy of greater rights for children.

The factors driving legal aid expenditure are, thus, more diverse than simple supplier inflation. Indeed, they include not only government but the courts. Government policy has been to devolve criminal cases to the magistrates' courts. Their work will increase as their workloads rise with the lessening use of diversionary mechanisms such as cautions. Legal aid is no luxury in a court dominated by three lay justices. In a case of any complexity, lawyers are needed to speed and to ease the process. It has become conventional in any review of legal aid expenditure to recommend, hopefully, that clients should not only pay more but that it would be good for them to do so. Unfortunately, legally-aided clients are largely on incomes at or just above minimum levels. The growth in poverty accounts for what is otherwise the paradox of a rising take-up of legal aid during a period when eligibility levels have been cut sharply. Thus, income eligibility for civil legal aid has been almost halved since 1979, but the numbers in receipt of means-tested basic social security benefits rose from 14 to 20 per cent during the 1980s. Already, 86 per cent of all civil legally aided litigants are on income support or have disposable incomes of less than around £50 per week. A major drive to obtain more contributions in criminal cases resulted in a 10 per cent decrease in the amount collected in 1993.

The search for ways to curb the growth in the legal aid budget is absolutely justifiable. The Legal Aid Board is already in the process of the greatest transformation of legal aid since it was established in 1949. Its concept of franchising legal aid providers, both lawyers and advice agencies, offers the prospect of better planning, provision and practice.

The obvious way forward is to build on the board as a central purchaser of services with a national, public and, hence, more politically accountable set of priorities. This is the Australian model, with its state Legal Aid Commissions: given sufficient resources and an acceptance of the impact on legal aid of a whole range of other government policies, there is no reason why it should not work in this jurisdiction.

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* Organising Cost-effective Access to Justice *by G. Bevan, T. Holland and M. Partington (Social Market Foundation).*

Better win-win damages

Improvements are proposed to the system of structured settlements

The Law Commission, the statutory law reform body, has just published proposals to improve the way damages awards are made. Their suggestions (Report No 224, on Structured Settlements and Interim and Provisional Damages) coincide with the fifth anniversary of the UK's first structured settlement, that of Kelly v Dawes.

Catherine Kelly, a severely injured 25-year-old nurse, accepted a cash settlement of £110,000, together with annual instalments of £25,760 for her lifetime, which would increase in line with inflation each year. The annual payment has now risen to £32,410 and is used to pay for the cost of Cathy's intensive care at a Rochdale nursing home.

The theory of structured settlements in personal injury and medical negligence litigation is that the injured claimant receives a substantial part of his or her award by means of instalment payments for life, rather than the conventional one-off lump sum which is traditionally awarded by the courts.

Whereas any lump sum award is non-taxable, the income arising from investment of such an award is fully taxable in the hands of the recipient. Instalments paid out under a structured settlement are deemed by the Inland Revenue to be instalments of capital and not subject to either income tax or capital gains tax.

The benefits to the plaintiff are obvious, while the quid pro quo for the defendant is that he is able to negotiate a lesser settlement figure because of the tax advantage to the plaintiff. This is termed a win-win situation for both parties.

The ability to negotiate such settlements was initiated by joint consultations between the Association of British Insurers (ABI) and the Inland Revenue in 1987, although it was some two years before the first case was completed.

In the five years since the Kelly case there have been some 250 structured settlements in the UK, some of which have incorporated several streams of income to cater for such things as capital, purchases of specialist items of equipment, school fees for dependent children and deferred instalments for later care. Some of these settlements have been described by the judiciary as being innovative in the extreme.

The principal problem surrounding structured settlements is that to implement the structure on behalf of the plaintiff, the defendant insurer is put to costs by reason of cash-flow, so there is a disincentive to insurers to enter into them.

The Law Commission recommends that the present system should be reformed by way of rationalising and building on the current voluntary system. Their proposals are that rationalisation should enable life offices to make payments under annuities bought by defendants with personal injury damages, free of tax, direct to the plaintiff. This would avoid the administrative and cash-flow burden currently suffered by defendants. As well as simplifying the present system for those defendants who have the capacity to structure, the proposed changes would also give powers to those parties such as the Motor Insurers Bureau and the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, together with mutual insurers who cannot benefit from the current arrangements.

The report debates extensively whether or not there should be judicial power to impose structures on either party, and concludes that the present voluntary system should remain unchanged.

The last major Royal Commission report on personal injury litigation was Pearson in 1978. Despite its recommendations, no legislative changes were made. That fate should not befall the 1994 version.

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Call the experts

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WHEN is a legal expert not a legal expert? Two legal directories claim to list individual specialists in their new editions, but a comparison can leave the reader slightly confused. In the Chambers & Partners directory, well-known crime specialist Monty Raphael and tax expert Stephen Edge duly appear, but they are missing from Legalease's Legal 500. Have they lost their edge? All becomes clear on closer reading: the experts appear in the Legal 500 if they pay for the privilege, whereas the Chambers directory lists basic details for nothing. So while Chambers claims "the lists we have assembled are not exhaustive, but at least they are reliable", the Legal 500 must carry the disclaimer for its self-selected experts index: "We do not claim that all the partners listed are experts." That's clear, then.

Hunt sabotage

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To the grave

RETIREMENT is no protection from the rising tide of law suits against partners in accountancy firms, according to the accountants' body, the Institute of Chartered Accountants. The ICA is campaigning to persuade retiring accountants to take out sufficient insurance to cover themselves for several years on potential legal claims. The ICA has found a "worrying rise" in the level of claims against retired partners, who often purchase only two to three years of past liability insurance cover. It is advising them to buy at least six years' cover so that they will remain insured until claims are old enough to be statute-barred.

Review cue

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Legal heritage finds a home

Our national law history centre is nearly complete. **Frances Gibb** reports


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Kate Adie on the site of the new centre — which will give an award in her name — with pupils from Nottingham's Greenwood Junior School

A multi-million-pound project to bring the law and legal history to life is nearing fruition. In just a few months' time, an idea first floated ten years ago will be reality, and Britain's first National Centre for Law Through the Ages will open to the public.

So far nearly £2.5 million has been raised towards the target figure of £3.5 million, and Geoffrey Bond, the campaign chairman, is confident it will succeed. "We will get there," he says. "The building programme is well under way, on budget and on target. What we are looking for now is a white knight to be enthralled by what we are doing here and to embrace it."

The project is ambitious. The idea is not just that there should be a place where legal history can be displayed — artefacts from famous cases, police exhibits, legal documents and judicial costume — but an educational centre where people can learn about the law.

A decade ago, a solicitor in Reading, Geoffrey Goldsmith, first raised the idea of a museum of law in Britain. Despite the influence and history of this country's legal system, none existed. But it was not until a suitable building came up that the idea really took hold.

Nottingham's Lace Market Heritage Trust, which has the task of regenerating buildings in the old part of the city, heard of the idea of a museum of law and saw an immediate use for the Shire Hall, a magnificent 18th-century courthouse with a medieval jail.

The Shire Hall, which was extensively restored in the 1870s, dispensed justice until only some seven years ago, since when it has stood empty alongside the prison, dating from 1449, and place of execution — in use until 1878.

The site for a centre for law could not be better. Below the Shire Hall itself are dingy, cramped sandstone cells complete with arm and leg irons, and poignant graffiti by former occupants before they were transported to hard labour in the distant corners of the empire.

Mich Stevenson, chairman of the Lace Market trustees, got together with Mr Goldsmith, and what is now called the Galleries of Justice Campaign was born. Geoffrey Bond, solicitor, antiques collector, broadcaster and film producer, seemed the obvious choice as campaign fundraiser. "I am known as the antique lawyer," he says. "I've always been interested in collecting, and I lecture on antiques on radio and television."

They calculated some £3.5 million would be needed to restore the buildings and create, not a museum (that label is in the gift of the Museums and Galleries Commission), but rather a centre based on the refurbished court buildings.

The plan in any case is a far cry from the traditional museum: in line with current museum thinking, there will be an exhibition of law through the ages where visitors can "interact" with exhibits in roles such as jailer, juror or prisoner, and an education centre providing programmes to teach people about the law. Students or trainee lawyers will be able to practise advocacy skills in the courts: schoolchildren can act out trials, hear about the criminal and civil law, and hear from those who work in the police or prisons.

To break even, the centre hopes to attract some 100,000 visitors a year. "It's not to encourage youngsters to became lawyers specifically, but to give them an idea of citizenship and why you have laws," Mr Bond says. The centre is expected to have links with the well-established Citizenship Foundation, which already runs a highly successful mock-trials competition among schools; and it will offer a Kate Adie Court Reporter of the Year award.

> 'What we are looking for now is a white knight to be enthralled by what we are doing here, and to embrace it'

Exhibits and legal memorabilia are already flowing in, along with some sizeable financial contributions. The biggest collection of police memorabilia in this country has been given by Major Ross Simms; there are also uniforms. "I am interested in artefacts from famous cases," Mr Bond says, "Dr Crippen's poison bottle, or the gun that killed so and so."

Money has come from the profession and outside it. The Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, who is a patron along with the Lord Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls, has given a personal cheque which Mr Bond described as "generous"; and it is a measure of Mr Bond's own enthusiasm that he has given £25,000. A local sandwich bar owner was so impressed that he sent £5,000, while an elderly woman sent £1.

The city council put up the £250,000 purchase price of the Shire Hall; Nottingham County Council and local businesses have chipped in; and both universities in Nottingham have given £100,000.

There is still a million pounds to raise, and Mr Bond is hoping particularly to raise money from the big London law firms as well as from businesses. If anyone can raise it, he will. "I agree with Rodger Pannone [last year's Law Society president] when he said: whose law is it anyway? I don't want to take away from the dignity of the law but I want to make it accessible — I want to persuade people this is not just a fuddy-duddy museum, but an exciting and living place."

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"Most clients are so intent on consummating their deal that they are reluctant to give much thought to how to resolve any subsequent disputes," says Christopher Vigrass of the City law firm Ashurst Morris Crisp. "As a result, what often happens is that you get a dispute resolution clause bolted on right at the end of the negotiation which isn't really appropriate for the deal in question."

Mr Vigrass is now campaigning to alert clients to give more thought to dispute resolution at the deal-making stage, in order to save time and trouble later on. Bankers, chief executives and chairmen attended a conference last week hosted by Ashursts specifically to hear how this can be achieved.


Locke: seeking reality

"Our view is that you need to develop a comprehensive structure of mechanisms which can be used to resolve disputes and agree these at the front end," Mr Vigrass says. "That doesn't mean there's an off-the-shelf solution. But it's far better to have thought about this in advance than be confronted with it once you are moving towards conflict."

A range of techniques is now available to be used in the structured avoidance of dispute. One of the most important is "expert determination" involving, for example, an accountant, an engineer or a surveyor. "In principle, our audience last week was very much in favour of using this advance-planning, integrated approach," says Mr Vigrass, "but in order to give it real momentum it probably needs the Government to adopt it and act as an exemplar."

The tendency to prevaricate at all times is probably the biggest single obstacle to progress. For example, according to Duncan Locke, a surveyor and partner with the international property consultants Grimley J.R. Eve, he and his colleagues are often brought in too late in the day.

"Almost 60 per cent of our practice is consultancy work with a legal dimension to it, so we know a fair bit about the law. But often we are not allowed to contribute as much to the case as we might," Mr Locke says.

Ideally the surveyor and the lawyers will work as a team. "I've often been in a situation, say over a planning or valuation dispute, where it turns out that I'm the only person who has actually visited the site," Mr Locke says. "Asking the question, 'Have you actually been there?' can inject a degree of realism which is sometimes lacking.".

It is when the various professionals involved understand and respect each other's role and expertise that the best results are achieved. Mr Vigrass agrees that good teamwork is critical. If surveyors — or any other professionals — are being brought in as, for example, expert witnesses, they need to be carefully briefed.

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Mr Locke points out, however, that there have been cases where barristers have actually tried to rewrite his report. "It could put you in a very difficult position when, in your role as an expert, you are being paid by one side. You have to be honest, but your clients have an expectation that your evidence or judgment will favour them."

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ALPHABETICAL SUBJECT GUIDE TO DEGREE COURSES IN ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

How the clearing system works

VACANCIES in engineering and technology appear for the penultimate time today. With term due to start next week in many universities and colleges, *The Times* clearing service will end on Friday.

As expected, places remain plentiful in engineering, and many courses will continue recruiting until term begins.

The same is true of many science courses, which will be covered tomorrow.

The last round of listings begins on Wednesday with *arts and social science* degrees. Even here, places remain in many subjects. Some universities have a policy of keeping courses in clearing even after they have filled all vacancies, drawing up a waiting list of applicants to take the places of those who do not turn up when term starts. Admissions tutors report a *surprising number of "no shows"* each year, and those whose preferred courses were full would be well advised to make one last round of calls next week. It is not too late to find a place through clearing, however. After studying the lists, applicants should start ringing admissions tutors as soon as possible.At this late stage, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service leaves applicants and institutions to make their own arrangements.

ACOUSTICS
Salford: H671 (12)
Southampton: H723 (17), H722 (20), HW73 (17), H7F7 (17)
Surrey: F368

AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING
City: H400, H401
Glasgow: H400, HHK5, HHL5
London, QMW: H400 (14)
NE Wales Inst: H400
Salford: H400, H420
Southampton: H406 (21), H407 (24), H420 (21), H421 (24)
Stockport Coll: H400
Strathclyde: H3H4
West of England: H420

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
City: H422
Coventry: H400
Hertfordshire: H400, H408, H430, H438
Humberside: H400, H620
Kingston: H400 (8)
Liverpool: H420 (14), H425 (14)
Surrey: H345
Southampton: H406 (21), H420 (21)

AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING
Bolton Inst: H340, H348
Coventry: J900
Kingston: H340 (4)
Newcastle: H341 (16), *H342 (18)*
Sunderland: H340
Swansea Inst: H6H9

BIOTECHNOLOGY
Strathclyde: J800 (16)

BROADCAST ENGINEERING
Brighton: He30
Liverpool John Moores: H198, H199
London, King's Coll: H621 (16)
UC Salford: H621, H998
Salford: J975

BUILDING/ CONSTRUCTION
Anglia: K200, K250
Bath: K224 (16)
Bolton Inst: K200
Buckinghamshire Coll: K299
Brighton: K260, K250
Central Lancs: K201 (8)
Coventry: K272, K200, K240, K278, H201
De Montfort: K214
Doncaster: Foundation (apply direct)
Glamorgan: K200
Greenwich: K260
Heriot-Watt: K200
Hertfordshire: KN21, KN2C
Kingston: K250
Liverpool: K200 (10), K201 (10), K240 (12), K241 (12)
Luton: Y400, K260, K202, K201
Napier: K236, K262, K299, K260
Nene: K200
Nescot: K241
Nottingham Trent: K200
Oxford Brookes: K200, K440
Salford: K260, K2N1
Sheffield Hallam: K250, K260
South Bank: K202, K252, K260
Southampton Inst: K252
Strathclyde: K220 (12)
Thames Valley: K200
Ulster: K200 (14), K202 (12)
UCE: K260
UMIST: K258
Wolverhampton: KN28, K260, Y600
West of England: K252
Westminster: K236, K260, K200

BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERING
Bath: K244 (16)
Hertfordshire: K240, K248
Central Lancs: K240 (8)
Coventry: K240
South Bank: K240
West of England: K200
Leeds Metro: K250
Loughborough: K240 (16)
Northumbria: K240, K248
Paisley: K206
Ulster: K240 (14)
UMIST: K240

BUSINESS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Anglia: G599, G560
Bournemouth: G560
Buckinghamshire Coll: G562
East London: G561
Exeter: GN52 (16)
Greenwich: G562, G9N1
Paisley: G562
Sheffield Hallam: G564, G561
Southampton Inst: G562
Suffolk Coll: G561
Teesside: G562
Thames Valley: GP52, FP12, GP501, GP55
UCE: G561 (10), G522
UEA: GN54 (18)

CERAMICS
Kent Inst: W235
Leeds: J300 (12)
Staffordshire: J321, JG34, JG35, J320, FJ13, HJ63, FJ63, FJ33

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
Aston: FH18 (24), H8T2 (22), H803 (20), H804 (20), H842 (20)
Bath: H800 (16)
Bradford: H800, H804, H893, H810, H811
Edinburgh: H800 (18)
Heriot-Watt: H366 (14), H802, H800 (14)
Huddersfield: F1H8
Leeds: H800 (18)
London, UCL: H814 (26)
Loughborough: H800 (14), H880 (14), H872 (14)
Newcastle: H800 (18), H801 (18), H890 (20)
Paisley: H800
Sheffield: H840 (18), H8T9 (18), HJ88 (18)
South Bank: *H800*
Strathclyde: H800 (12)
Surrey: H802, H800, H804, H842
Teesside: H800
UMIST: H900 (18), H870 (18), H875 (18), H8R1 (18), H8R2 (18)

CIVIL ENGINEERING
Abertay Dundee: H200 (10)
Aston: H2T2 (16), H200 (14), H201 (14), H202 (14)
Bath: K201 (16)
Bolton Inst: H200, H208
Brighton: H200
City: H200, H201, H207, H206
Coventry: H203, H2TF, H260, H2T2, H208, H268, H200
Cranfield, RMCS: H200
Dundee: H200 (12), HK22 (12), HN21 (12)
East London: H200
Edinburgh: H200 (16), H250 (16)
Glasgow: H200, H2F6
Glasgow Caledonian: H200
Glamorgan: H200, H201
Greenwich: H200
Heriot-Watt: H360 (14)
Hertfordshire: H200, H208
Kingston: H200 (10), H202 (4), H260 (4)
Liverpool: H200 (12), H201 (12), H220 (12), H221 (8), HJ26 (12), HK23 (12)
Liverpool John Moores: H200, H208
Loughborough: H200 (16)
London, QMW: H200 (12), H201 (12), H2N1 (10), H2NC (10)
Napier: H200, HH23
NE Wales Inst: H200
Newcastle: H250 (12), H251 (12), H200 (12), H201 (12), H281 (12), H280 (12), H291 (12), H290 (12)
Nottingham Trent: H200, H201
Plymouth: H200
Portsmouth: H200, H201
Salford: H200, H2T2, H204
Sheffield: H220 (18)
Sheffield Hallam: H200
South Bank: H200
Southampton: H200 (17), H201 (20)
Stockport Coll: H200
Strathclyde: H200 (12), H2F9 (12), H2T2 (12)
Teesside: H200
Ulster: H200 (14), H202 (12)
UMIST: H201 (16), H220 (16), H225 (16), H2N8 (16)
Westminster: H200
Wolverhampton: HN28, H263, H2N1

CLINICAL ENGINEERING
Liverpool: BF92 (12)

COMBINED STUDIES (ENGINEERING/ TECHNOLOGY)
Anglia: J900
Coventry: H199
East London: Y400, Y499, Y100
Guildhall: Y400
Leeds: J300 (12)
Liverpool John Moores: H100, H108
Luton: Y400
Nottingham Trent: GC51, GF51, GG51, GF53, GF59

COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING
Cranfield, RMCS: GM51
Coventry: H620
Glamorgan: H620
Greenwich: H620
Huddersfield: H620
Humberside: H520, H621, H622
Leeds Metro: H628
London, King's Coll: H621 (16)
Napier: H620
Northumbria: H620, H628
North London: H620, H621
Plymouth: H620
Portsmouth, H620
Salford: H620, H621
Sheffield: H611 (14)
Staffordshire: H621, H620
UMIST: H645 (14)

COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY
Buckinghamshire Coll: H161

COMPUTER-AIDED ENGINEERING
Bolton Inst: GH56, GH59
Brighton: H610
Buckinghamshire Coll: G501
East London: H610
Glasgow Caledonian: H161
Huddersfield: H161
Hull: H315
Leeds: He65 (14)
Liverpool John Moores: H160, H168
Loughborough: H610 (16)
Middlesex: H168, H161, Y400
South Bank: H161
Staffordshire: H110, HG65
Swansea Inst: H610
Teesside: H611
UCE: H160
UEA: HG65 (14), *HG6M*
Wales, Bangor: H616 (8), H615 (8)

COMPUTER SYSTEMS
Glasgow Caledonian: G561, G500
Strathclyde: GH56 (12)
Sussex: H610

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY
Brighton: G501, G534
City: H611, H610
Coventry: G500
Kingston: G561 (10), G500 (8)
Leeds Metro: G501
London, King's Coll: H610 (16), H611 (16)
Nottingham Trent: G501, G500, G501N
Sheffield: H620 (14), H643 (18)
Southampton: G520 (24)

CONCURRENT ENGINEERING
Bournemouth: H699

CONTROL ENGINEERING
Anglia: H703
Cranfield, RMCS: GM51
East London: H610
Huddersfield: H660
Humberside: H643
Sheffield: H642 (18)
Sheffield Hallam: H868, H668
Teesside: H640
Westminster: H640

DESIGN
Anglia: H621
Bolton Inst: H760, H768
Cardiff Inst: H602
East London: LW12, WX23, FW92
Greenwich: K252
Hull: H327
Luton: Y400, W250, H621, H646
Robert Gordon: W230
Staffordshire: H770
West Surrey Coll: N1W2

DIGITAL ENGINEERING
Dundee: GHM6
Luton: G532
Sunderland: H611
West of England: H660

EDUCATION (ENGINEERING/ TECHNOLOGY)
Glasgow: H111
Greenwich: EW72, EW7F
Liverpool John Moores: E7W2, EW72
London, Goldsmiths: E2W2, E4W2, E7W2
Nottingham Trent: EW72, GN51, E7G1, E7F1
Sheffield Hallam, EW72
West of England: E7W2

ELECTRICAL/ ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING
Abertay Dundee: H580, H600
Aston: HH56 (14), HH63 (16), HHM6 (14), HHN6 (14), GH56 (14), HH36 (18), HH63 (18)
Bath: H580 (16), H620 (16), HH56 (16)
Bolton Inst: H600, GH56, GH59
Bournemouth: H600, H6G7
Bradford: HHM6, HH56, H605, H606, H695, H690, H690
Brighton: HH56, H600, H610, H630
Brunel: Ho40 (15), HH65 (15), HH56 (15), H621 (15), HH5P (15), H620 (15), H616 (15), HHM6 (15), H615 (15), H651 (15), HH5Q (15), H650 (15)
Central Lancs: H600 (4), H608 (4)
City: H6H5 (12), HH56 (8), HH65 (4), H641, H680, H6H5
Cranfield, RMCS: H600
Coventry: H580
De Montfort: H500, H600
Dundee: H6N1, HH56
East London: H580, HH5P
Edinburgh: HH56 (18)
Glasgow: GH5P, FH36, H616, H6F3, HH56, GHM6, FHH6
Glasgow Caledonian: H600
Glamorgan: H59A, H580, H600
Greenwich: H580, H588, H500, H600
Gwent Coll: H642
Heriot-Watt: H364 (10), HH56
Hertfordshire: H580, H588
Huddersfield: H580, H600, H620, GH56
Hull: He31, H651
Humberside: H100, H520, H643
Leeds: H6G5 (14), H6H5 (14), H600 (14)
Leeds Metro: H682, H600
Liverpool: H500 (12), H502 (12), H581 (8), H600 (12), H601 (12), H616 (12), H621 (12), H651 (12), H673 (12), HH56 (12), HH5P (12), HH5Q (12), HHM6 (12), GG66 (12)
Liverpool John Moores: H580, H588
London, King's Coll: H602 (16), HH56 (16), HH65 (16), H6N1 (16)
Loughborough: He10 (16), HH5P (18), HH56 (16), FH36 (16)
Manchester Metro: H588
Middlesex: H608, H600, H6N1, HN61,
Napier: H620, H580
NE Wales Inst: HH56, H580
Newcastle: HH56 (16), HH86 (18), H600 (16), H601 (18), HH5P (18), HH5Q (18), H692 (18), H695 (18)
Northumbria: H580, H588, H620, H628
North London: H620
Paisley: H580, H600
Plymouth: H580, He03
Portsmouth: H580, H580B
Salford: HH56, H600, H601, H6T2, He88
Sheffield: H500 (14), H600 (14), H611 (14), H620 (14), H642 (18)
Sheffield Hallam: H668, H698
Staffordshire: He00, H500, GH46, CH16, HN61, HJ63, FM16, GH56
South Bank: H580
Southampton: H500 (18), H501 (22), HH35 (20), HH3M (22), H600 (24), H601 (24), Southampton Inst: H1N1
Stockport Coll: HH5P
H602 (24)
Strathclyde: HH53 (20), HH6M (14), HH5P (14), HH5Q (14), HH65 (14), HH6N (20), HHMP (20)
Sunderland: H580
Sussex: HH5P, HH35, H600, H6N1, H6G5, HH5M, HHT4
Swansea Inst: H600, H6H9
Teesside: H500, H600
UCE: H608, H620, H600, H6R1, H6R2
UEA: H602 (14), H605 (16), H693 (14)
UMIST: H600 (14), He35 (14), H6R1 (14), HH56 (14), HH36 (14), He19 (14),
Wales, Bangor: H600 (8), H605 (8)
West of England: H600
Westminster H600

ELECTRONICS
Abertay Dundee: H6N5
Cardiff Inst: H601
Central Lancs: H699 (4)
Coventry: H640
Dundee: FH36
Doncaster: HH56
East London: HH76
Essex: H600, H620, H6G7, He16, H626
Glamorgan: H620, HN61, H601
Greenwich, F3G5
Hertfordshire: H6N1, H6G5, H6L1, H6F9, H6F6, H681, R6H7, H6G1, *H6N2*, H6F3, B800, B808, N1H6, *G5H6, L1H6, F9H6, F6H6, B1H6*, H7H6, G1H6, N2H6, F3H6
Hull: F314
Keele: CH76, FH55, HR61, FH66, GH16, FHC6, FH36, FH16, HR62, HN61
Kingston: H6G5, H603 (8), H108
Leeds Metro: H682
Liverpool John Moores: H600, H608, HN65
London, King's Coll: H610 (16), H611 (16), G5H6 (18)
London, RH: H6N1 (14)
London, QMW: GH5P (16)
Loughborough: HH67 (14)
Luton: Y400
Manchester Metro: FH3P, FH1P, CH1P, CHCP, H600, H608, GH5P, HLP1, HTF9, HHP7, FHHP, HJP4, H680, HLP3
Middlesex: HH6C, Y400
Napier: GH56
North London: H600
Nottingham Trent: H580, GH56
Paisley: H601
Plymouth: HN61
Portsmouth: H611
Salford: F314 (10), F353 (10), H6N1, H620, H621, H610, H611
Sheffield Hallam: H668, H698
Staffordshire: HL68, FM66
Strathclyde: HH6M (14)
Thames Valley: HN61
UEA: H603 (10), H608 (12), H6N1 (14)
Ulster: *H616 (14)*
UMIST: F3H6 (16), F3RC (16), F356 (14),
Wales, Bangor: FH36

ENERGY ENGINEERING
Huddersfield: H5J9
Leeds: H862 (12)
Heriot-Watt: H802
Middlesex: J958, J950
Napier: H599
Staffordshire: H699
Sunderland: HV11
UCE: J950

ENGINEERING PRODUCT DESIGN
Coventry: H770
East London: H680, H600
Middlesex: H799, H795, Y400
South Bank: H100, H770, HN71
Suffolk Coll: H770
UCE: H770

ENGINEERING
Aston: H100 (16), H101 (16), H102 (16)
Bournemouth: H120, H128
Brighton: H108
Brunel: H102, H104, H1R1, H1RC, H1R2, H1RF
Coventry: H100
Cranfield, Silsoe: H330 (16)
De Montfort: H100
Durham: H100 (18)
East London: H109
Edinburgh: H100 (18)
Exeter: H103 (22)
Glasgow Caledonian: H100
Greenwich: H108,
Heriot-Watt: H302
Huddersfield: H108, H100, H770
Hull: H764
Humberside: H108
London, QMW: H100 (12), H106 (12), H1F9 (12), H1N1 (10), J920
Loughborough: HF19 (10), J920 (16)
Luton: Y400
Manchester Metro: F380, F388
Napier: H660, H1N1
Oxford Brookes: H100, H601, H300, H108, H201, H200, 73HH
Plymouth: H108, H199, H101
Sheffield: H1N1 (12)
Sheffield Hallam: F398, H999, F398
South Bank: J950
Southampton Inst: H1N1
Strathclyde: H1M1
Staffordshire: *H7N1, H770*
Sunderland: H308, H780, J976
Sussex: H100
Teesside: H108, H780
UCE: H108, H100, H1N1
UC Salford: H199
Wolverhampton: H101

ENGINEERING WITH BUSINESS STUDIES
Greenwich: HN11, HN1C

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
Abertay Dundee: F910
Brighton: H250
Bradford: H2F9, H2FX
Brunel: H144, H145
Coventry: H205
Cranfield, Silsoe: H255 (18)
Dundee: K346 (14)
Edinburgh: H250 (16)
Glasgow Caledonian: F900
Heriot-Watt: H3K2 (14)
Leeds: H8F9 (18), H2F9 (18)
Liverpool John Moores: H250
Middlesex: F950
Newcastle: H250 (12), H251 (12), H280 (12), H281 (12)
Nottingham Trent: F901, FF19
Paisley: H250
Salford: H206, H20T
Southampton: H250 (17)
Staffordshire: F900, N101
Strathclyde: J972 (14)
Sunderland: H250, H251, F699
UCE: F910

GENERAL ENGINEERING
Paisley: H100

INDUSTRIAL STUDIES
Luton: Y400
Nottingham Trent: N611
Sheffield Hallam: K472

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY/ INFORMATION
Bolton Inst: H768
Southampton: H630 (24)
UCE: G568, G560

INFORMATICS
Doncaster: G510
Huddersfield: GN5C
Plymouth: GP52
Sheffield Hallam: G599
Wales, Lampeter: L800, R101, R200, R720, Q520, V800, V840, Q512

INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Anglia: G562, G560, H6N1
Buckinghamshire Coll: G569
Brighton: G534
Cardiff Inst: G561
Cranfield, RMCS: GM51, H631, GM5C
Coventry: H610, G562
De Montfort: G563, G561, G560, N1H7
Glamorgan: G561
Glasgow Caledonian: G561
Greenwich: G561, GN51
Huddersfield: GH56
Leeds: G520 (17)
Liverpool John Moores: G562
Luton: G562
Napier: Q520
Nene Coll: G561, G560-
North London: G6N1
Nottingham Trent: G562 (14)
Oxford Brookes: GG4M, CG1M, FGRM, GNM7, FG1M, GG5M, GGM9, GLM1, FG9M, GHM2, GTM9, GRM2, GVM1, GNMN, GG1M, GHM6, GWM3, FG1M, FG3M, GKM4, GMM1, GPM5, GNM5
Salford: G520 (14)
Sheffield: H5G5
Sheffield Hallam: G584, G581, N350
Southampton Inst: G561
Westminster: H610
West of England: G562
Wolverhampton: HN71, GN51, G561

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Aston: G560 (18)
City: H610 (12), G608 (4)
East London: G532
Luton: G601
UCE: G710
Wolverhampton: HW72

LASER APPLICATIONS
Essex: F366
Hull: H358 (12)
Salford: F367 (10), F368 (10)

LOGISTICS
Aston: J9N9 (14), J9NX (14)

MANAGEMENT STUDIES
Abertay Dundee: H6N5 (4), N5H6 (4)
Anglia: K471, H621, H6N1, H7N1, B500
Bolton Inst: H716, H760, H768, H7ND, K200
Bradford: H605, H606, NJ1X, NJ19, H705, H706, JN9C, JN91, MJ99, H304, H302, G1N1
Brighton: K251
Brunel: J5N1, J5NC, J5ND
Central Lancashire: N100 (12)
Cranfield, Silsoe: N802 (12), N5D4 (12), N1F9 (12), D921 (12)
Cranfield, RMCS: GM5C
Huddersfield: GN91, F1N1
Glasgow Caledonian: K290
Greenwich: N800, GN51, GN11
Heriot-Watt: K298, N250 (10)
Hertfordshire: GN54, KN21, KN2C, H121, H128
Huddersfield: F183, CN91
Kent: N100 (14)
Leeds: H3N1 (18)
Leeds Metro: K250
London, King's Coll: H7N1, H6N1
London, RH: N100 (22)
Loughborough: HH67 (14), H780 (14)
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: H6N1, HN6C, H799, H795, HN7C, HN71, HN79, H7NC, H7N1, H3HH
Manchester Metro: HN71, HN78, J531
Napier: K299, H1N1, K261, Y1N1
Nescot: K241
N E Wales Inst: N810 (6-8), K280 (6-8)
Nottingham Trent: K258
Northumbria: K350, K200
Paisley: J900, JN91
Plymouth: HN61, G4N1
Portsmouth: H1N1
Robert Gordon: D4N1, N553
Salford: H6N1, K2N1 (16), H7N1 (10), Sheffield Hallam: J510, N400, FN1F, DXJ8, H250, MJ01, EG51, FF39
South Bank: GN11, GN51, H121, K252, HN71
Southampton Inst: J9N1, F910
Strathclyde: H1N1
Sunderland: JN91 (4), H7N1 (4), HN71 (4)
Sussex: HH76
Surrey: H100, H105, F106, F3N1
Thames Valley: K200, HN61, N799, GP52, FP12
UCE: H7N8
London, UCL: F1N1 (20)
UC Salford: H100, H703
UMIST: K258 (14), K285 (14), H225 (16), J4N1 (14-18), J4N5 (14-18), J4N9 (14-18), J4ND (14-18), J4NY (14-18), J4T9 (14-18), J4W2 (14-18)
Wales, Cardiff: NN14 (18)
West of England: K252, K200, F932
Westminster: K472
Wolverhampton: KN28, HN28, H2N1

MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY
Anglia: H789
Aston: H7T2 (16), H780 (16), H781 (16), H782 (16)
Bolton Inst: H716, H7ND
Bradford: NJ1X, NJ19, H705, H706, HH7J, HH73, JN9C, JN91, NJ99
Central Lancs: H770 (4)
Coventry: H700, H780
Dundee: HN71 (6), HN21 (12)
East London: H781, H780, H701, HH76
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Glorious ways to bid farewell to greatness

VISUAL ART: **Richard Cork** on the Royal Academy's stylish tribute to the last days of Venice as a political power, when imagination flourished as the city state crumbled

Slowly, but remorselessly, the 18th century witnessed the humiliating death of Venice. Around 1700, the Serene Republic could still pretend it possessed the power and splendour of earlier times. By the century's end, though, its worldly status had been destroyed. Napoleon's Italian victories forced the last of the doges to abdicate, and Venice became nothing more than a magnificent bauble for the Austrian Empire to play with.

All the same, this cruel economic and political dissolution was accompanied by a paradoxical burst of brilliance in Venetian art. Fired, no doubt, by the stimulus of so many great buildings, frescoes and altarpieces from the past, painters and sculptors defied their city's predicament by continuing to work with unquenchable gusto. Their achievements deserve to be celebrated on the grand scale, and the Royal Academy's autumn blockbuster offers a stylish homage in "The Glory of Venice".

No exhibition can hope to recreate the sheer exhilaration of entering a church or palace and finding its interior transformed by an overwhelming painted decoration spread across walls and ceiling. The most sumptuous and daring works by Tiepolo, the star of the Academy's show, were all carried out on such surfaces. They cannot be transported to Burlington House, but in the very first room welcome efforts are made to evoke Venetian art's high-spirited delight, bombarding the viewer with dizzily skybound images.

Sebastiano Ricci, who found favour in Germany and England as much as his native city, makes an impact in a ceiling picture called *The Punishment of Love*. Painted for the Palazzo Marcello-Fiera around 1706, this arresting canvas shows the brutal stripping of Cupid's wings. Venus, his distraught mother, lies in dramatic foreshortening below, comforted by semi-naked attendants whose nipples are as shamelessly flaunted as her own. But the airborne dynamism of Cupid and his assailant insists on seizing our attention.

Tiepolo, a younger painter, learnt a lot from Ricci, both artistically and professionally. He basked in munificent patronage, and took the theatricality of painting to ever more giddy extremes. Look at the upflung arm of his St Bartholomew, about to be butchered by an executioner's blade. It is an extravagant gesture, hovering on the edge of melodrama. But Tiepolo was never afraid of risk-taking. Invited by the Spanish Embassy in London to paint a chapel altarpiece of *St James the Great Conquering the Moors* (1749), he had no hesitation in presenting the pilgrim-saint as a virile warrior clutching a victorious banner. Although James looks towards heaven, past the golden halo floating above his head, he is a swashbuckling figure. The sword he brandishes may be converting the vanquished Moor to Christianity, but it could easily slice through the kneeling captive's neck.

Perhaps the gung-ho energy of this hirsute conqueror alarmed the patron, for the painting was rejected. Tiepolo remained unabashed, and the flow of important commissions never faltered. His verve was savoured for its freshness, nowhere more surprisingly than in a tall painting of *The Immaculate Conception* for a Vicenza church. True, the Virgin herself is depicted with dignity, adroitly retaining her balance on top of a globe. But Tiepolo envenoms the picture with an outsize serpent, greedily holding an apple in its mouth. And the cherubs cavorting around her are cheeky little boys, refusing to be awed by the woman they adorn. Tiepolo revelled in gravity-defying swoops through the sky, and here the restless clouds swirl in an intoxicating spiral over the Virgin's head.

Nobody could convey effervescence with more panache than Tiepolo. But, as he grew older, his art developed an unexpected emotional depth as well. In the *Martyrdom of St Agatha*, the executioner, with his blood-smeared blade, still gestures stagily enough. But no histrionics affect the image of Agatha herself. Blanched and frowning with pain, she slumps on some steps and gazes at heaven with an air of bewilderment. Although a companion covers her mutilated chest, blood seeps through the cloth and is clearly visible on her sliced-off breasts, displayed on a dish by a solemn page. Tiepolo makes no attempt to minimise her suffering, as she raises both arms in an enfeebled attempt to question the meaning of her anguish.

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Confronted by such a compassionate painting, nobody could dismiss Tiepolo as a lightweight decorator. Nor do we have any excuse, after this exhibition, for continuing to undervalue Piazzetta. A group of his finest canvases has been assembled here, and they testify to an outstanding talent. Little-known in Britain, he may well prove the revelation of the show. Like Tiepolo, Piazzetta was a consummate draughtsman. His close-up chalk studies of faces, often juxtaposing youth with age, are marvels of deft, subtle characterisation. They relate to the playfulness of paintings like *The Fortune-Teller*, where a buxom peasant woman listens to prophecies of her future. The young man behind her seems to be hearing a similar tale, and the sly, erotic link between them is unmistakeable.

In Piazzetta's religious pictures, however, all this sensual languor is subsumed in profound spiritual feeling. *The Ecstasy of St Francis lives up to its title with overwhelming conviction.* The stigmatised saint has collapsed in a mystical swoon, and leans against the outstretched arm of an angel. But the latter's wings, cloak and robe all seem to be convulsed with emotion, as if possessed by the transfiguring force of God. The same potency charges the cloud invading Francis's right side. He sways under its impact, reliving Christ's passion so fervently that his body assumes the stance of the central, lifeless figure in a Deposition scene.

Extremes of distress and rapture coexist here in an impassioned fusion. But Venetian art in its dying century encompassed far more than Tiepolo's ebullience and Piazzetta's nervous intensity. Avoiding religion and pagan mythology alike, the resolute Canaletto set about scrutinising the face of Venice with as much clear-eyed fidelity as he could muster. At first, he owed a large debt to Carlevaris, whose elaborate marine pageants can be seen in the first room. But Canaletto soon outstripped the older man in the precision of his vision, the delicacy of his brushmarks and the poise of his intricate compositions. A prolific and often repetitive artist, he can seem humdrum or formulaic. The finest Canalettos, though, transcend dogged topography.

In *The Bacino di S Marco: looking East*, he surpassed himself. As if spurred by tackling an epic expanse of water, after the relative tightness of his canal views, Canaletto orchestrates the scene with aplomb. There is nothing routine about his inventive disposition of the vessels punctuating the Basin. Some contain gondoliers, and their festive costumes are defined with the relish Canaletto displays in his earlier painting of a plumed, ornate regatta on the Grand Canal. But others are peopled by sombre, often solitary figures, defined with a surprising amount of sympathy for the unglamorous lives of workaday seamen and travellers.

Their hint of melancholy turned out to be prophetic, for the closing rooms of the show disclose a rapidly darkening mood. However much Longhi may divert us with his images of a rhinoceros glumly chewing straw, or masked revellers moving stealthily among intrigued fruit-sellers, he cannot disguise the air of gathering malaise. His *Extreme Unction* conveys harrowing pathos in its portrayal of a dying, emaciated old man.

And even the sprightly Francesco Guardi, a far more fascinating painter than his elder brother Antonio, succumbs to the sense of an ending. Decay afflicts the buildings in his seemingly seductive *View on the Cannaregio Canal*. The brooding presence of overgrown ruins recurs in many of Guardi's fluent, loosely handled capriccios, and in one canvas a fire engulfing San Marcuola appears to threaten the entire city with its ferocity.

By the time we reach Piranesi, obsessed by nightmare visions of oppressive, endlessly proliferating prison interiors, the carnival is over. All we are left with is the glacial perfection of Canova, whose skilful yet oddly bloodless carvings are redolent of the grave. His modello for a *Monument to Titian* could stand as the exhibition's epitaph. As the shrouded figures approach the entrance to a pyramidal cenotaph, they appear to be mourning, not just Venice's greatest painter, but the extinction of the city he loved.

● The Glory of Venice *at the Royal Academy (071-439 7438) until December 14*



Tiepolo's *St James the Great Conquering the Moors* (1749) epitomises muscular Christianity

SARAH Staton is playing shop. The effect is like a cross between a 1970s boutique and a 1990s charity shop. The stock of Staton's "Supastore Boutique" is extensive. There are objects or offerings from artist friends, from famous artists, and from famous artists who happen to be friends. The current obsession with loyalty to a particular brand — of trainers, say — is reflected here by the art world. This literal marriage of artistic commodity and everyday object shows that there is also artistic safety in numbers. The atmosphere is one of cliquey fun. Recognition of the secret signs used for labelling, and the sport of guessing which artist did what, becomes the whole point. There are precedents for artists who set up shop or open restaurants; Staton, however, has done it in a commercial gallery, in the guise of an exhibition.

Laure Genillard Gallery, 38a Foley St, London W1 (071-436 2300), until Oct 22

☐ Mel Jackson's installation, entitled "... do you, or have you ever?" sparks off a rare combination of associations. The austere space is dark save for a line of small, fine spotlights suspended low on long leads. There is a line of card tables, partially collapsed, facing the wall, as well as another line of tables, a video of a ringmaster, and a continuous glass tube. Such description conveys little. The connections between such disparate components are very strange indeed, and remain open long after their spatial relationships have been experienced. Although a little too elaborate, perhaps, the overall effect is fascinatingly enigmatic, depending for its effect on the way that the mind will always attempt to connect and make order out of everything it encounters.

Matt's Gallery, 44 Copperfield Road, London E3 (081-983 1771), until Oct 30

☐ A lumpen, sliding mass of dulled purple and mauve acrylic, painted by John Hoyland in 1970, sets the agenda for "Surface Tensions". Although apparently short on obvious imagery, most of the contemporary painting here does present an undefensive justification of the process of painting. Jane Harris sets up repercussions and reverberations within the canvas by repeatedly working the even shape of a splash. Angela de la Cruz covers the surface with an intricate but oddly autonomous layer of chalky white residue, while Marcia Hafif treads a tricky path between detail and generalisation in delicate monochrome. Perhaps the only piece to carry any more external reference is Joan Key's very small painting in which a shadow or after-impression of indeterminate shape glows in almost invisible yellow.

Curwen Gallery, 4 Windmill Street, London W1 (071-636 1459), until October 1

☐ Factual Nonsense would like to be more than just a gallery. Joshua Compston, the organiser, would like it to become an abiding corporate presence, a household name. At the moment, however, it is necessary to telephone in order to view the display of "Other Men's Flowers", a curious combination of Edwardian method and contemporary manners which takes the form of a series of printed letterpress texts commissioned from 15 London-based artists.

Factual Nonsense, 44a Charlotte Road, London EC2 071 613 5048

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Open for business — Sarah Staton's wide-ranging "Supastore Boutique" at the Laure Genillard Gallery



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FROM the first entry of the woodwind in Rossini's *La Scala di Seta* overture — with a sound that was precise in profile, firm in colour, and immediate in effect — it was clear that there is now a most successfully designed concert hall in a part of the country where there was nothing of its kind before.

Working to a budget a quarter of the size of that specified to the same architects for the new Manchester concert hall, the Renton Howard Wood Levin Partnership has created what looks like a very sophisticated sports hall. Far from concealing the interior roof structure, the architects have made a feature of it and, having only 1,400 seats to accommodate, set them up in one steep rake with no upper tiers and no overhangs. Narrower than the average sports hall, however, it approximates to the classical shoebox concert-hall shape, with walls that divert from the parallel only where they are inclined inwards at the four corners.

With no more obvious acoustic impediments than reflectors in the corners behind the audience and a canopy above the platform, Arup Acoustics has designed a sound that is essentially truthful. Ironically, if Simon Rattle and the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra had attracted a less-than-full house to the Anvil, which would have allowed a fraction of a second's more reverberation, the instrumental colouring would have been just a little more glamorous and the textures more closely integrated.

But that is a matter of adjustment, of understanding that the violins at the front of the platform are less favoured by the acoustics than the wind at the back. Peter Thomas, the soloist in Elgar's Violin Concerto, found little to flatter him here.

Adjustments were being made, consciously or not, even during the course of the concert. After the interval the strings were already sounding both more attractive and Brahms's Second Symphony was demonstrating that Basingstoke has a hall which offers a rare combination of clarity in texture and generosity in colour.

GERALD LARNER

Old ones are the best

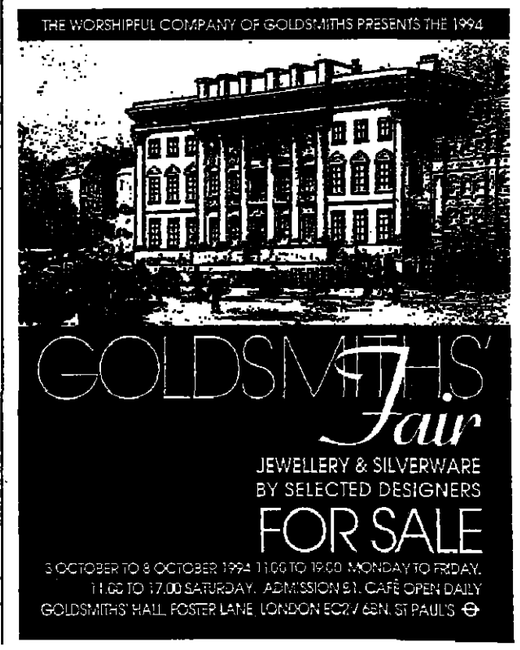
BBC Singers
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IN JUST a few of their 70 years, the BBC Singers have progressed far. Even two decades ago it was easy to dismiss the Singers as an outmoded BBC department whose principal duty seemed to be to wobble through the hymns in the *Daily Service* each morning. Now, the group has turned itself into a first-rate ensemble of unique flexibility, as able to take on the apparel of an opera chorus as tackle the kind of contemporary repertoire that would frighten most singers.

In this special anniversary concert, directed by Simon Joly, the ensemble typically gave a hugely challenging programme of 20th-century masterpieces, among which was the world premiere of a work by Iannis Xenakis, *Sea Nymphs*. Xenakis has honoured the choir with something rich, poetic, appropriately strange but substantial; a setting, or rather an evocation, of Shakespeare's "Full fathom five thy father lies". His language, sharp-chiselled but rough-textured, suits the text well. Unanimous gestures disintegrate into swirling chaos, while his use of extremes of range provide flavours of murkiness, mystery and magic in abundance.

On the other side of the interval was Ligeti's equally challenging *Three Fantasies* for 16 voices, Britten's bittersweet *Hymn to St Cecilia*; Messiaen's *Cinq Rechants*, and Poulenc's *Figure Humaine*. All were sung with the marvellous security and astute collective musicianship we have come to expect.

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A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

LONDON

GEORGE LLOYD CONDUCTS GEORGE LLOYD: A most welcome night of premieres for the composer. Lloyd conducts the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra for the world premiere of *The Dying Tree*, plus his 1993 orchestral work *Floating Cloud* and the powerful Symphony No 11. **Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.30pm.

TWO WEEKS WITH THE QUEEN: Alan Ayckbourn directs Mary Morris's funny and touching play "for family audiences", adapted from the novel by Morris Gleitzman. An Australian 12-year-old goes to the top to find a decent doctor to save his brother's life. **National** (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Opens tonight, 7pm. Then tomorrow and Thurs, 7.30pm, mat Thurs 2.30pm.

STATUES OF LIBERTY/WHEN THE BARBARIANS CAME: Opening night for two political plays in rep. David Hart imagines Machiavelli using his cunning to remove a contemporary British government. Don Taylor sets his play in ancient Rome and modern Britain. **New End**, 27 New End NW3 (071-794 0022). Tonight, 6pm and 8.30pm.

TRAFFIC: Fans are all aflutter at the prospect of tonight's start to the long-awaited tour, so hopefully Steve Winwood and Jim Capaldi have taught the new boys in the band the old tricks. **Hammersmith Apollo**, Queen Caroline Street, W6 (071-416 6080). Limited ticket availability. 7.30pm.

ELSEWHERE

BRISTOL: The brilliant Japanese pianist **Mitsuko Uchida** gives the first of two Schubert recitals tonight, beginning with the composer's Sonata in C D840 and ending with Sonata in C minor D958. In between, miniatures by Schoenberg. **St George's Brandon Hill** (0272 230359). Tonight, 7.30pm.

WOKING: London City Ballet makes the second stop on its autumn tour this week with a revival of the great romantic ballet *Giselle*, produced by Galina Samsova. *Counter Balance* opens the evening, a lively modern work with choreography by Vincent Redmon to two Vivaldi Violin Concertos. **New Victoria**, Peacocks Arts Centre (0483 761144). Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm.

BIRMINGHAM: Last week of performances here for the **D'Oyly Carte Opera Company**. *Die Fledermaus* may be a depressing and tacky flop but *HMS Pinafore* more than makes up for the disappointment. Strongly cast, sets beautifully designed as 1930s poster-style flats, and all in all very elegant and witty. **Alexandra**, Suffolk Street, Queensway (021-633 3325). *Pinafore*: Tonight-Thurs, 7.30pm, mat Wed 2.30pm. *Fledermaus*: Fri, 7.30pm; Sat, 2.30 and 7.30pm.

SHEFFIELD: The Royal Court Theatre's highly acclaimed production of Mamet's controversial **Oleanna** is now on tour. A thought-provoking evening and well worth a visit. **Crucible**, Norfolk Street (0742 769922). Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, Sat, 2.30pm.

In the theatre next door, **The Card** also arrives for a week of performances. Ian Talbot presents a deft, entertaining adaptation of the Tony Hatch/Anthony Drewe musical, based on Arnold Bennett's Potteries. Some gooey glitches but Peter Duncan gives a disarmingly unspoilt performance. With Hayley Mills. **Lyceum** (as above). Tonight-Sat, 7.45pm; mat Thurs and Sat, 2pm.

LONDON GALLERIES

British Museum: New European Applied Arts Galleries (071-636 1555) ... **Courtauld:** French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings; Conrad Felixmuller (071-873 2526) ... **National Portrait Gallery:** Edwardian Women Photographers, final week (071-306 0055) ... **Royal Academy:** The Glory of Venice. The Belgian Avant-Garde: 1880-1900 (071-439 7438) ... **Tate:** Turner's Holland; Sculptors' Drawings (071-887 8000) ... **V & A:** Kitaj Print Retrospective; the Ironwork and Glass Galleries (071-938 8500)

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
◪ Some seats available
□ Seats at all prices

□ **BEAUTIFUL THING:** West End transfer for Jonathan Harvey's award-winning and touching play about teenage love, gay and straight, on a London council estate. **Duke of York's**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Previews begin tonight, 8pm. Opens Sept 26, 7pm.

□ **THE CHILDREN'S HOUR:** Clare Higgins and Harriet Walter as two schoolteachers accused of being lovers by a brat student. Lillian Hellman's powerful drama from 1934 directed by Howard Davies. **National** (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Now previewing, 7.30pm; opens Thurs, 7pm.

■ **THE COUNTRY WIFE:** Max Stafford-Clark's stern vision of the harsh truths of Restoration immorality. Some laughs included. **Pit**, Barbican Centre EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm.

◪ **DESIGN FOR LIVING:** Clive Owen, Paul Rhys and Rachel Weisz in Coward's defence of the *menage a trois*. The evening is a lot of fun though Sean Mathias trumpets the bisexuality where Coward only hinted. **Donmar Warehouse**, Earlham Street, WC2 (071-369 1732). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm.

◪ **JOKING APART:** Alan Ayckbourn's 1978 black comedy about a phenomenally successful "golden couple" whose generosity and kindness have appalling consequences. Robin Herford directs. **Greenwich**, Crooms Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Sat, 2.30pm. Until Oct 29.

◪ **THE OFFICIAL TRIBUTE TO THE BLUES BROTHERS:** Restaged version of the 1991 show recalling the characters created by Dan Aykroyd and John Belushi. David Leland directs. **Comedy**, Panton St, SW1 (071-369 1731). Now previewing, 8pm, opens tomorrow, 7pm.

◪ **ONLY THE LONELY:** Larry Branson in Bill Kenwright's musical on the life and songs of Roy Orbison. The title song was his first hit but many others will doubtless appear. **Piccadilly**, Denman St, W1 (071-369 1734). Now previewing. Opens Sept 27.

◪ **THE PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD:** Thrilling performance by Aisling O'Sullivan in a strong, tough and vivid production by Lynne Parker of Synge's comic masterpiece. **Almeida**, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. Until Oct 15.

◪ **POOR SUPER MAN - A PLAY WITH CAPTIONS:** Ian Brown's Traverse production of Brad Fraser's latest look at a fragmenting generation of young Canadians. Ian Gelder plays a gay painter blocked in his work, Christopher Simon a restaurant owner who helps him out. **Hampstead**, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Sat 4pm.

□ **THE SISTERS ROSENSWEIG:** Limited run here for the Greenwich Theatre production of Wendy Wasserstein's too cosy play: three sisters (Maureen Lipman, Janet Suzman, Linda Bellingham) seek happiness. **Old Vic**, Waterloo Rd, SE1 (071-928 7616). Opens tonight, 7.45pm; until Dec 10 (if booked one week in advance)

■ **SOME VOICES:** Ian Rickson directs Joe Penhall's play about an unwise love in Shepherds Bush. "About people who don't know what's good for them." **Theatre Upstairs**, Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 2554). Opens tonight, 7pm; until Oct 8.

◪ **THE WINSLOW BOY:** Peter Barkworth, Simon Williams and Nyree Dawn Porter in Rattigan's ever-popular drama of a man's fight to prove his son's innocence when the Royal Naval College expels him for theft. **Globe**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

LONG RUNNERS

□ **Arcadia:** Haymarket (071-930 8800) □ **Blood Brothers:** Phoenix (071-867 1044) ... □ **Buddy:** Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ◪ **Cats:** New London (071-405 0072) ... □ **Copacabana:** Prince of Wales (071-839 5972) ... □ **Crazy for You:** Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ... ◪ **Dead Funny:** Vaudeville (071-836 9987) ◪ **Don't Dress for Dinner:** Duchess (071-494 5070) ... ◪ **Five Guys Named Moe:** Lyric (071-494 5045) ... ◪ **Grease:** Dominion (071-416 6060) □ **An Inspector Calls:** Aldwych (071-836 6404) □ **Lady Windermere's Fan:** Albery (071-867 1115) ... ◪ **Les Misérables:** Palace (071-434 0909) □ **The Miracle Worker:** Wyndham's (071-867 1116) ... ◪ **Miss Saigon:** Theatre Royal (071-494 5400) ... □ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's (071-836 1443) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera:** Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ... ◪ **St Joan:** Strand (071-930 8800) ... □ **She Loves Me:** Savoy (071-836 8888) ... ◪ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) ◪ **Sunset Boulevard:** Adelphi (071-344 0055) □ **The Woman in Black:** Fortune (071-836 2238)

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

◆ **CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER** (12): Harrison Ford fights Government duplicity and Colombia's drug cartels. Phillip Noyce directs the best Jack Ryan adventure so far. **Barbican** (071-638 8891) **Empire** (0800 888911) **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

DAZED AND CONFUSED (18): High school kids of 1976 drink, fight and philosophise. Mildly disappointing follow-up to *Slacker* from director Richard Linklater. **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

PEEPING TOM (18): Michael Powell's voyeuristic horror film of 1960, alternately clever, dull and unpleasant. With Carl Bohm and Anna Massey. **Camden Plaza** (071-485 2443)

SMOKING/NO SMOKING (PG): Ayckbourn adapted into French by Alain Resnais: exquisitely turned, but the artifice gets wearing. With Sabine Azéma and Pierre Arditi. **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666)

CURRENT

◆ **COLOR OF NIGHT** (18): Tawdry, unpleasant erotic thriller, with Bruce Willis as a therapist dogged by a murderer. With Jane March; director, Richard Rush. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

THE HUDSUCKER PROXY (PG): Hick becomes company boss. Ritzy comic pastiche from the Coen brothers, starring Tim Robbins, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Paul Newman. **Gate** (071-727 4043) **Lumiere** (071-836 0691) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen/Hill** (071-435 3366)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18): Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. Director, John Dahl. **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Piccadilly** (071-437 3561) **Odeons: Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772)

◆ **MAVERICK** (PG): Mel Gibson as the TV Western conman. Disappointing summer fun, with Jodie Foster and James Garner. Director, Richard Donner. **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **MR JONES** (15): Contrived romantic drama about a manic depressive (Richard Gere) and his doctor (Lena Olin). Director, Mike Figgis. **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Odeons: Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574)

LE PARFUM D'YVONNE (18): Elegant but empty reverie from French sensualist Patrice Leconte, with Hippolyte Girardot, Jean-Pierre Marielle and Sandra Majani. **Chelsea** (071-351 3742) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

◆ **SIRENS** (15): Oxford curate and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians. Joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson. Directed by John Duigan. **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Panton Street** (071-930 0631) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Mezzanine** (0426 915683) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **TRUE LIES** (15): Schwarzenegger saves the world from Middle East terrorists. But what about his marriage? Overblown summer fun with Jamie Lee Curtis. Director, James Cameron. **Empire** (0800 888911) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **WHEN A MAN LOVES A WOMAN** (15): Serious, well-focused drama about alcohol abuse, detoxification and after. With Meg Ryan and Andy Garcia; director, Luis Mandoki. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Haymarket** (0426 915353) **Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **UCI Whiteleys** (792 3332) **Warner** (437 4343)

WILD TARGET (15): Featherweight French comedy, with Jean Rochefort as a meticulous hitman unhinged by love. Director, Pierre Salvadori. **MGM Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470)

◆ **WOLF** (15): Jack Nicholson's beast within finally comes out. Amusing, intelligent werewolf movie, with Michelle Pfeiffer. Director, Mike Nichols. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **WYATT EARP** (12): Over-solemn and reverential epic, with Kevin Costner as the lawman, and Dennis Quaid as Doc Holliday. Lawrence Kasdan directs. **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

May the *duende* be with them

DANCE: As the virtuosi of Cumbre Flamenca prepare for their latest Sadler's Wells season, John Percival talks to the troupe's founder

When the Spanish dance company Cumbre Flamenca opens its fourth season at Sadler's Wells tonight, some of the people who work in that theatre will have a particularly personal interest. They are among the enthusiasts in London who devote their spare time to learning and performing Spanish dances. Francisco Sanchez, who directs the company, says that "the London public seems immediately to understand the message" of flamenco, but he adds that the same is true in towns all over the world.

Cumbre Flamenca must take most of the credit for restoring, after a long gap, the immense popularity Spanish dance enjoyed in London theatres following the Second World War. A whole host of stars led their companies to the West End — Pilar Lopez, Carmen Amaya, Antonio, José Greco among them — and good houses were more or less guaranteed, often for a long run.

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One novelty of Cumbre is that it breaks away from the long tradition whereby Spanish dance companies were generally built around the talents of a gifted individual. It also concentrates entirely on one style, that of the gypsies of southern Spain, who took their mixture of sinuous arms and percussive feet from Moorish influences (and perhaps, way, way back, from India). Both those factors derive from the preferences of Sanchez, who started the group ten years ago.

Born in the southern city of Badajoz, Sanchez was brought up surrounded by flamenco. "I felt a shiver when I watched, ever since I was three or four years old," he says. But he studied law, then drama, and during the 1960s and 1970s he got involved as actor, director and dramatist with the independent theatre movement that emerged to criticise the Franco regime.

One of the groups he worked with, La Tabla from Granada, made much use of movement. Through this he found himself in touch with flamenco again, and got carried away. "I began studying and mixing with them," he says, "and found myself spending more time with them, less on my own work."

Flamenco existed first, like all folk art, in informal circumstances; many reckon that it cannot be seen properly except in cafés or caves. Sanchez's theatre background made him believe there was no reason why it should not work well on stage, but that it needed a theatre person for proper production. This led him to devise the idea of Cumbre Flamenca, a group which would bring together on an equal footing some of the best dancers, singers and guitarists to show flamenco at the highest level. The artists invited might not necessarily be big names with the public, but they would be respected within the profession.

It took three years to persuade the Spanish culture ministry to back the idea, but since the first season in 1984 Cumbre has enjoyed a runaway success. Sanchez puts this down to the powerful nature of a style formed by mixing many different cultures; flamenco is for him "an aesthetic bomb". At the heart of it is what he calls "that famous word *duende*", the moment when the performer is inspired or possessed by an outside force.

To believe that this can happen every night on cue is difficult and raises the question of how genuine the experience can be. Sanchez says that actors study to find ways of achieving this, for instance by Stanislavsky's techniques. "The flamenco performer does not have this training, but the dancer has the great possibility of inspiration in listening to the singers and the musicians talking among themselves."

Having an acquired technique and artistry does not cause problems, Sanchez insists. The pioneers who first transplanted Spanish dance to the stage would agree on that. One of the first (and, according to those who saw her, by far the best) was La Argentina, a child prodigy who retired from a successful career in ballet when she was only 14 to study her native folk dances and refine them for the stage. Her achievements included developing the technique of castanet playing, and she also introduced the practice of dancing to music by composers such as Albéniz, Granados and Falla.

Shall we one day see a return to the diversity of styles which she performed? There is a whole range of dances to supplement the heavy passion of flamenco; lighter, more colourful and elegant. And in Spain they still thrive, as could be seen in the BBC2 programme about sevillanas a few Sundays ago, or in the marvellously exhilarating zarzuela show that played at Sadler's Wells a little while back.

Perhaps a new star, eager to show versatility as well as artistry, must come along before this happens again on our stages. Or perhaps an enthusiast like Sanchez, but with different background and tastes, would be enough to achieve it. Meanwhile, Sanchez's brand of flamenco is not likely to leave patrons dissatisfied.



Each member of Cumbre Flamenca is among the best Spain has to offer

● Cumbre Flamenca *are at Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (071-278 8916) until October 8*

ROCK: Pixie turns speed king

Wham, bam, thank you, man

Frank Black
Shepherd's Bush Empire, W12

HE BECAME famous as Black Francis, leader of the groundbreaking Boston group Pixies. His real name is Charles. But you can call him Frank. The fact is that whether shedding identities, putting on weight or writing songs, Frank Black does it quicker than most.

The same was true of his show. It opened with the crashing chords of "Freedom Rock", an intro which always reminds me of the Who's "I Can See For Miles". Head shaven, dressed in a black maternity smock and lit from behind by an eerie blaze of yellow spots, Black stepped up to sing the first line: "My name is Chip/And I'm different/I don't conform/I wear a different uniform."

It was an apt beginning, and the first of 27 songs it took him about 90 minutes to perform. Alongside Black were bass player Eric Drew Feldman, drummer Nick Vincent and guitarist Lyle Workman, a fiercely able unit with exactly the right combination of power and flexibility needed to do justice to Black's unorthodox songwriting talent.

Combining the punky with the quirky, Black's music joins up the dots in a line that runs from Lou Reed to the Ramones and on through to Nirvana. A supremely impatient performer, he wasted no time on needless repetition or development of a theme, let alone on dragging out an ending. Pretty snatches of melody, nonsense lyrics, unusual chord progressions and odd time changes were all rigorously compressed into three-minute bursts.

From the relatively gentle "Space Is Gonna Do Me Good", for example, they whacked into the recent single "Headache", followed by "(I Want To Live On An) Abstract Plain", all in about six minutes flat.

An edgy combination of sophisticated musicianship and hyper-energy, the performance scaled several improbable peaks before reaching a natural climax with a dramatic reading of "Los Angeles", followed by "Parry The Wind High, Low", a menacing tom-tom-driven swirl that gradually evolved into a torrent of cross-rhythmic riffing and chanting. It was virtually the only time that Black allowed himself any room for extended manoeuvre and would have made a great conclusion to the performance.

Instead, they ploughed on, and although the rest of the set, including four encores, did not take very long, the momentum had become slightly dissipated. It was nevertheless a powerful and impressive display by an artist in a perpetual hurry. One can only hope that his audience will be able to keep up with him.

DAVID SINCLAIR



Frank Black: taking the short cuts to success

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Toronto blessings in abundance

Geoff Brown joins the film buffs whose insatiable appetite at the Toronto Festival meant packed houses all round



Albert Finney as an Irish bus conductor coming to terms with the love that dare not speak its name in a whimsical mishmash of a film, *A Man of No Importance*

Want to see Albert Finney as a twinkling Irish bus conductor with a passion for Oscar Wilde? Curious about the new John Sayles, recent Indian cinema, the latest delight from Guinea-Bissau, or a three-minute jest by a Canadian film-maker glorying in the name of Velcrow Ripper? Sorry: all seats are sold out, though the line for returns starts here.

At the Toronto International Film Festival, an eager and generous audience gathers for almost everything the programmers offer. In between screenings, film buffs choke the coffee shops, clutching pen and schedule, planning their next sortie. This year, improved facilities for advance ticket sales have significantly reduced the need to queue. An improvement? Not necessarily. Queues are where Toronto's cinema vampires meet their soulmates and sharpen their fangs, discussing the latest American hot-shot or the merits of early Truffaut. Entombed in the dark most of the day, they need this human contact.

> "These cinema vampires need the human contact of the ticket queues"

The nineteenth edition, which ended on Saturday, contained fewer Hollywood big guns than usual. Some American talents appeared in strange, but not unrewarding, places. John Sayles, well known for his mordant studies of American social behaviour, washed up off the Irish coast with **The Secret of Roan Inish**, an entrancing blend of folk myth and realism with a cast of fisher folk, seals, gulls, and Selkies — legendary Celtic creatures, half-human, half seal.

Yet at second glance this fable chimes with some, at least, of Sayles's concerns. He has always loved the spinning of tales, the sound of people talking; and this adaptation of a Rosalie K. Fry novella pays full homage to Ireland's oral tradition. Though children lie at the heart of the drama, the film cannot be placed in a pigeonhole for kids, while hardened adults might well find the tale too slight. Whatever its fate in the marketplace, *Roan Inish* remains a beautiful *piece of work*.

As Sayles polished his Irish brogue, William Hurt appeared in Wales wearing curly ginger hair, frightful specs, a V-necked pullover and a light Welsh accent. All this was in aid of Chris Menges's new film **Second Best**, based on David Cook's novel about a lonely village postmaster struggling to connect with the prickly child he hopes to adopt. It may seem strange to hire a Hollywood star only to obliterate most of his charisma, but Hurt's *laidback* manner survives in the film, and suits the character well. Some of the mood *shifts* are disconcerting: Jane Horrocks's social worker looms like a Mike Leigh caricature. But there is still much to enjoy in this wry, sensitive drama.

As with most film festivals now, for true cinematic excitement you had to head east. Tsai Ming-liang's Taiwanese entry **Vive l'Amour** arrived in town trailing clouds of glory from the Venice Film Festival, where it shared the Golden Lion with Milcho Manchevski's over-contrived *Before the Rain*. Tsai made his international reputation with *Rebels of the Neon God*, a violent, stylised portrait of Taipei adolescents. For his second, almost dialogue-free film, the violence is transformed into intense sexual longing as the paths of a woman estate agent, a young salesman of crematorium niches and a street merchant intersect in ways variously comic, erotic and sad. Lonely lives in the modern city have become something of a cliché, but Tsai's rigorous control produces an electrifying film that cries out for British distribution.

So, too, does **Chungking Express**, a deliciously frisky Hong Kong divertissement from Wong Kar-Wai, cult director of *Days of Being Wild*. Wong's hand-held camera darts about, sometimes slowing to produce blurred images that almost turn the film frame into an action painting. Not that technique dominates: with performers as lively as Tony Leung Chiu-wai (one of two lovelorn cops) and Faye Wang (a fast-food employee obsessed with the song "California Dreaming"), you take the quirky characters straight to your hearts.

After that rollercoaster ride, hopes were high for another Wong film, **Ashes of Time**, a long-planned martial arts costume drama entered in competition at Venice. Alas, they soon faded. Wong's stylistic somersaults give the eye much to delight in, but even the press handout's synopsis could not make the plot comprehensible.

Other cinematic adventures were scattered through Toronto's huge programme. The "First Cinema" section, devoted to fledgeling film-makers, amassed a bewildering heap of experimental flings, quasi-TV movies, slick American pieces of nothing, and the occasional film of real quality. American screenwriter Mark Malone repackaged *film noir* conventions with a pleasing dry wit in his directorial debut, **Killer**. Steve McLean, from the realm of British pop videos, offered an intermittently powerful show-off piece, **Postcards from America**, drawn from the autobiographical writings of multi-media artist and Aids victim David Wojnarowicz.

Then there was Fred Kelemen's **Verhängnis** (*Fate*), awarded a Special Mention by the jury of international critics, whose own fate it was to sit through the pile of 32 films. Kelemen takes the gloomy view of life often favoured by young film-makers, though he makes sure his long, sinuous shots of downtrodden immigrants battling a cruel world have a strong visual texture. The critics' prize, however, went to a film of achievement rather than promise: Moufida Tlatli's **Les Silences du Palais**, an elegant exploration of a woman's restricted life in the court of Tunisia's last royal prince.

The most startling debut feature of all played in another section entirely. James Gray's **Little Odessa**, another Venice prizewinner, was given the festival's gala treatment: an evening screening at the gilt-drenched Elgin Theatre. The film itself, from a 24-year-old New Yorker, matched the building in visual spectacle. Using a palette of dark, silky colours with sudden flashes of winter snow, Gray vividly conveys the Russian immigrant community of Brooklyn's Brighton Beach, where crime proliferates in the bars, cafés and dilapidated alleys.

This is a family saga more than a gangster shooting match, though a clearer sense of why the killings happen could help the film to cohere. A few less wailing Russian choirs would also help the soundtrack. But Gray shows astonishing authority for a novice director: even actors such as Vanessa Redgrave, Maximilian Schell and our own Tim Roth (the family black sheep, a robot with a gun) never unnerve him.

As for Albert Finney, up he duly popped in BBC director Suri Krishnamma's cinema debut **A Man of No Importance**, regaling passengers on the 24A bus with Wildean titbits, staging *Salome* in the local church hall, and coming to terms with the love that dare not speak its name. Any festival that could deliver a packed house for such a whimsical mishmash has no box-office worries at all.

THEATRE: Thuggery in a New York ghetto, suffering in a Yorkshire community, rows in a Restoration household and bigotry on a South Coast beach

Torn between two Bronx brothers

MARILYN KINGWILL



Mickey (Thomas Goodridge) and Alexander (Andrew Fraser)

The Day the Bronx Died
Tricycle

ACCORDING to Mickey, narrator and protagonist of this curiously old-fashioned play, the Bronx died the day Martin Luther King was shot, when the blacks rioted and attacked the whites, most of whom in this neighbourhood were Jews. Once upon a time, they got along together fine. Mickey's mother (Pat Bowie), who cleans and cooks for a Jewish family, has nothing good to say about the Irish or Italians. "But the Jew be a different breed altogether. More human. Almost a black."

She wants young Mickey (Thomas Goodridge) to emulate them, learn the piano, visit museums, keep in with Billy Kornblum (Nitzan Sharron) and quit running wild in the streets with Alexander, self-titled "the great" (Andrew Fraser). The trouble is, Mickey feels *torn*. Alexander is his mate, his blood brother, and even when he starts going to the bad in the company of Freddie Anobil-Dodoo's evil Prince (given a gun for his fourteenth birthday), how can Mickey cut the ties?

Several factors combine to make Michael Henry Brown's treatment of this predicament unconvincing. For one thing, the Bronx streets are weirdly lacking in adult blacks, so that Mickey has no-one to aid him in his moral dilemma. For another, the story is framed within a contemporary episode involving a further slaying. The 40-year-old Mickey (Ewen Cummins) has made it good, and now lives in the fashionable Manhattan apartment block where his mother once worked. But he has disconnected himself from the dangerous city below, you see. Only when his young son is attacked does he start to remember the past.

A surgeon gives him reports of his boy's lack of progress from time to time, but mostly we are back in 1968, before the Bronx died, when the brave choices were not made. At the end, Cummins delivers the play's message, to the effect that we must stand up and be counted.

Another oddity is that, although Brown is black, his play is a product of New York's American Jewish Theatre and directed by Gordon Edelstein. Joint efforts by members of the different communities to address their city's horrors is implicit in the final message, and neither black nor Jew is spared the accusation of cowardice, but the play manipulates us. Its tone is propagandist, the incidents narrowly contrived to provoke a required response.

Bafflingly, Alexander makes a brave choice, back there when the Bronx was dying, and knocks the gun out of the wicked Prince's reach. But the lesson in this, if indeed there is one, is not welded into the drama. Performances by the preponderantly young cast are decent enough. The message that actually comes across *is that King's death was* irrelevant: the Bronx was already killing itself and young black thugs were entirely responsible.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Small talk of a troubled family

The Mortal Ash
Bush

THIS is the third of Richard Cameron's plays to be premiered here, and after inviting a schizophrenic woman's multiple personalities into the open in *Not Fade Away*, he has returned to the South Yorkshire environment he wrote about in *Pond Life*, his excellent study of adolescents in a small village.

This time he focuses upon a single family, the Wheatleys, some members of whom have been responsible for an accident at Mortal Ash Ponds, which has led to their becoming *victims of a hate campaign*. A brick has been thrown through the living-room window and Chris (Richard Standing), the elder son, has returned home to repair it. The garden aviary has been burnt to the ground, and at the start of the play Duane (James Hooton), the dimmish younger son, is staring dolefully at the wreckage.

What occurred at Mortal Ash takes a long time to emerge, and even at the end I was not sure exactly what had been bulldozed or why. Nor did I fully grasp the mental workings of the father — Paul Copley, for whom the phrase "dour Yorkshireman" could have been coined. But what Cameron's writing does present clearly is the allusive, fragmentary nature of family talk, where much remains unmentioned for fear of provoking a row, yet where rows keep erupting simply because of this fear of beginning them.

Dialogue is sharp and authentic. Cameron has already established his alert ear for young people's talk, and he reveals a comparable skill for the guarded, and unguarded, disputes between them and their parents. He also achieves two remarkable feats in allowing the proudly reticent older couple the chance to unburden their feelings. Notice how Jane Cox, *the mother as prickly as a porcupine*, gradually relaxes as she remembers her dead father. In the core confrontation between Chris and his father, watch Copley grating his hands in rage and frustration, bitterly glimpsing a past he does not want to examine.

Simon Usher's direction masters the intricate cross-relationships in this troubled, loving family and is particularly good with the signs of unease. Cox nervously edges her feet back before venturing to ask her man a tricky question. Jane Hazlegrove (a fine performance as the watchful daughter, Rainy) seems to take in everyone else's shifting emotions as she stares from the background.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Zesty, testy marital romp

The Provoked Wife
Theatre Royal, Plymouth

SIR John Brute — John Nettles festooned in a periwig, and *Bergerac* quite forgotten — is in a pernicious huff. "Everything I taste, methinks, has wife in it," he declares, kicking off Sir John Vanbrugh's surprisingly, if not a little shockingly, funny Restoration comedy. Finely accoutred but ill-natured, his voice rich-toned but coarse-grained, Brute is a husband. That, as he makes no bones about zestily and testily confiding to the audience, is his bane. His wife of two years, he claims, is a torment.

Next moment, we witness him making this patently angelic spouse's life hell. Then, scarce has the beastly pig stalked out for some mistress and a skinful of claret, than our lovely Lady Brute (Katherine O'Toole: pale-chiselled but with a wicked streak) is informing us with warm intimacy that it is high time for some adultery.

Happily, the new marriage of eight leading British theatres, from Newcastle's Theatre Royal to Richmond, augurs well. Although not faultless, the Touring Partnership's first production is not a million miles from its ideal: generating large-scale, top-quality drama for the regions. Fotini Dimou's set stylishly frames the action within slanting, top-hatted oak panelling (albeit not perfect for outdoor scenes) and has impressive surprises up its fly-tower, including a dreamy four-poster bed.

Stuart Burge directs refreshingly wisely. Maxims about nature and art and suchlike abstracts, normally rattled off as if 17th-century aristocrats permanently had to dash, but here delivered at a leisurely pace without a fluster of mannerisms, become clear-headed arguments.

Vanbrugh's storyline is scandalously rickety. Still, there is a certain surreal preposterousness, not to mention crude significance, about the knight suddenly stuffing himself into his lady's dress and being arrested as a common bawd. Peter Salem's score intensifies atmosphere and smooths scene changes. Louise Kerr supplies delightfully unlikely trilling as Cornet, the misery-guts maid.

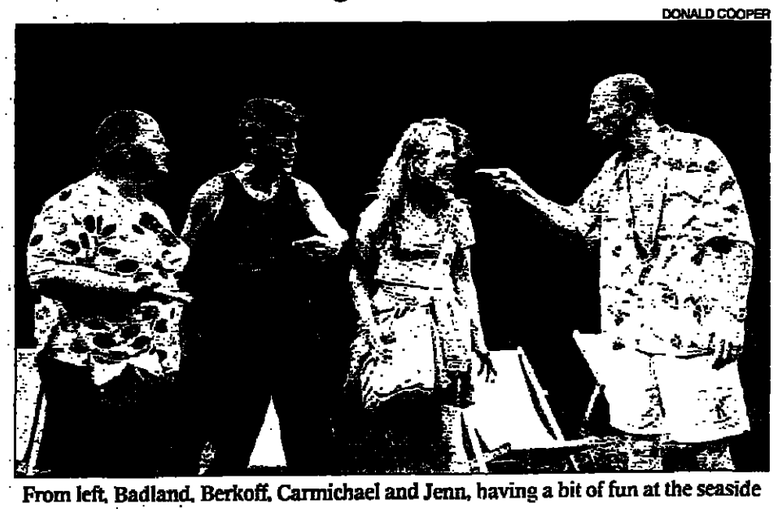
Pam Love's Lady Fancyfull is a tiresomely careless caricature of jealous vanity: a vague blur of waved arms. Paul Venables's Heartfree seems a muddled character, dissipating energy. However, Rebecca Lacey's Belinda, his bride-to-be, is compactly pretty and plain-spoken.

KATE BASSETT

Vultures of the yob culture

Sturm and Drang/Brighton Beach Scumbags
Riverside Studios

DONALD COOPER



From left, Badland, Berkoff, Carmichael and Jenn, having a bit of fun at the seaside

MY ADVICE is to arrive roughly an hour late, by when the first of these playlets should be over. *Brighton Beach Scumbags* will not greatly surprise those familiar with Steven Berkoff's other variations on what Mr Major calls our yob culture: but it won't bore them either. *Sturm und Drang*, on the other hand, is the sort of piece that makes counting the hairs in your eyebrows seem stimulating by comparison.

Berkoff has used rhyming couplets, and probably even quatrains, to mock-heroic effect before now. But in *Sturm und Drang* the words clomp and trudge, labouring point after point as if in wellington boots. Timothy Walker's smartly suited Simon idealises Sasha; Berkoff's Nick, another member of the merchant-banker classes, takes a more cynical view; and the lady herself, in the form of Katy Carmichael, launches into a gloating description of a lurid movie. But why her callousness should give Simon a ravenous appetite for oysters rather than disillusioning him, I neither know nor care.

The longueurs in *Scumbags* are fewer and anyway more justifiable, since the subject is pleasure, British-style. If the characters were a little more upmarket, they would probably be found spending their days off in some lay-by, forlornly drinking tea. As it is, they come from Chingford, belong to the assembly-line classes, and prefer to sprawl in deck-chairs on Brighton beach, tossing out four-letter words and used beer cans.

They make quite a sight in their tacky holiday gear, especially Berkoff's Derek, who sports blond teddy-boy hair as well as a tattoo and stripey shell-suit bottoms. Slouched and scratching his crotch, he bickers with his scowling wife, Annette Badland's Dinah, and chats desultorily with their friends, Michael Jenn's bullet-headed Dave and Katy Carmichael's dim Doreen. The subjects range all the way from motorways to traffic cones, Paki shops to dolphins. Only the arrival of some hamburgers and a wasp interrupt the verbal drizzle.

Patronising stuff? At times I thought so. Certainly, the piece seemed to lack the energy and attack of the section of Berkoff's recent *One Man*, in which the actor-author played both a raging East End slob and his raging East End dog. But then came conflict in the form of a second brush with the two homosexuals whom Derek and Dinah had seen earlier in a Brighton pub. The homophobes give one of the gays a kicking; the gays take reprisals which leave Berkoff slumped among piles of empty cans.

That is no more than he deserves; yet the play is not altogether one-sided. The straights may think the homosexuals are "filthy faggots". The gays think of these particular straights as "dumb beasts", mindlessly angry because they are trapped in dull marriages. The incomprehension is mutual, and so is the unfairness. And this time I cared enough to feel I hadn't squandered the evening.

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Three hours of summer lightning

Vitas Gerulaitis, who has died at the age of 40, will always be remembered for a match against Bjorn Borg one glorious June evening at Wimbledon in 1977. This is how Rex Bellamy, then the tennis correspondent of *The Times*, described it

Bjorn Borg, the holder, and Jimmy Connors, champion in 1974, yesterday qualified for the Wimbledon men's singles final tomorrow. Borg's 6-4, 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 8-6 win over Vitas Gerulaitis in three hours and four minutes was a Wimbledon classic — challenging the glittering memory of Stan Smith's win over Ilie Nastase in the 1972 final.

A year ago, Gerulaitis beat Arthur Ashe, who was then the champion. Yesterday he almost did the same again. In the fifth set, he had a point for a 4-2 lead, but stayed back on his service and when he eventually charged to the net was off the mark with a forehand volley. Both men later agreed that this point was critical. Borg broke back for 3-3 instead of going 4-2 down.

In the eleventh game, Borg, serving, three times heard the umpire call "deuce". Again the champion was teetering on the brink of a plunge to oblivion. But three games later, somehow mustering his drained resources for a huge effort, he set about Gerulaitis's service and broke through for the match. A lob, cruel in its perfection, reduced Gerulaitis to 40-15 down. On the next point he attacked — which is in his nature in any situation and was essential now — but again misdirected a forehand volley. Different versions of the same shot, the forehand volley, thus let Gerulaitis down.

In the way of statistics, those will suffice. Beauty should be enjoyed, not measured. But how to describe this sample, save in terms of three dazzling hours of summer lightning?

On the whole, grasscourt tennis is not the best. But during matches such as this (if only they happened more often), it achieves a splendour that cannot be surpassed. Borg said later that he had taken part in only one match of higher quality — against Rod Laver in the 1975 World Championship Tennis play-off series, on a carpeted court in Dallas.

A reasonable man would not think it possible for two tennis players to maintain such precision at such high speed under such pressure over such a long period. The sustained quickness of footwork, reactions and racket control was astonishing.

It mattered not that — save for Borg's rocking walk, his headband, and his two-fisted backhand — he and Gerulaitis might have been brothers. They gave us plenty of variety: drops and lobs, sudden changes of pace and angle, to punctuate all the whirling, pounding agility and aggression. At times the geometry they created almost happened too fast to be properly savoured. Yet the entire match was dominated by earned points: in a context that insisted there must be a host of hasty errors.

He was gambler and acrobat in one, relying on his quick reactions

These two know each other well. They are friends and practise together. Their personalities are complementary — Borg the introvert, Gerulaitis the extrovert. Gerulaitis, at 22, a year the senior, was born in Brooklyn of Lithuanian stock and popped over to Europe earlier this year to win the Italian championship on clay. He is wealthy enough to indulge in fast, expensive cars. He owns two Rolls-Royces, a Mercedes and a Porsche. But car or no car, the man has powers of acceleration no other tennis player exceeds.

Gerulaitis put the accelerator flat down at 4.55 and kept it there until 7.59. He kept dashing to the net and relying on his quick reactions to deal with anything Borg threw his way. Gerulaitis was gambler and acrobat in one. When he opened up the court and put away a winner, he often held the pose for a moment — grinning, relishing the joy of a moment in time. When serving, he made none of the fashionable fuss. He just looked at Borg: then aimed and fired.

Borg was younger, but looked older. They say he has ice in his veins. He certainly needed something like it yesterday. The storm Gerulaitis blew up was intimidating. Often, Borg was on the baseline, quietly preparing a stroke when there was no warning of danger: and suddenly there came into his peripheral vision the figure of Gerulaitis, bounding eagerly to the net with his blond hair flowing.

But Borg never flinched, never showed the slightest sign that his nerve was weakening. He said later that he was so anxious to reach the final that he was a little nervous, a little inhibited about hitting hard. But he always had more soundness and versatility in his ground strokes and, eventually, the composure to recoil from adversity to triumph. Whereupon Gerulaitis went to the interview room and chatted happily about all the funny things that had come into his mind while he was playing at Wimbledon: "I didn't want to waste all this material. It's my winning speech ..."

Except for the fact that neither man served exceptionally well, this was a perfect example of grasscourt tennis at its best. We shall never know how Borg and Gerulaitis kept it up. But we were grateful that they did: and we shall remember them.

☐ *Two days later Borg beat Jimmy Connors in the final to claim the second of his five successive Wimbledon titles.*

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Gerulaitis leaves Centre Court after his epic Wimbledon semi-final against Borg in 1977

Moses considers returning to track

EDWIN Moses, the double world and Olympic 400 metres hurdles champion, is considering returning to competition at the age of 39 and after six years in retirement. "I ran the hurdles recently for a [television] commercial and I felt pretty good," Moses said. "The technique is as good as ever. I think I could still run under 48 seconds. The way things are in my event, I could still beat a lot of guys."

Moses retired with back pain following the Olympic Games in Seoul in 1988 and was frustrated in a bid to qualify for the American bobsleigh team for the 1992 Winter Games. He said back pain does not hinder him, but full training might be too much. "It's tempting to go back," Moses said. "I haven't trained at all for two years, but if I could find a way to train with no pain, I would do it."

Moses is expected to be named to the United States Athletics Hall of Fame when results of voting are announced later this week.

Phil Hawthorne

RUGBY: Phil Hawthorne, an outstanding rugby union and rugby league international for Australia, died on Sunday after a three-year fight against leukaemia. He was 51. Hawthorne played 21 rugby union internationals at stand-off half for Australia over five years from 1962, making his international debut at the age of 18.

He helped Australia to victories over South Africa, New Zealand, England and Wales during that period. Hawthorne signed a four-year contract to switch to rugby league and he played three internationals against Great Britain in 1970 before he was beset by injuries. "Phil occupies a very special place in Australian football history," Alan Jones, the former Australia rugby union coach, said.

Walsall appoint Nicholl

FOOTBALL: Chris Nicholl, the former Southampton manager, was yesterday named manager of Walsall, of the third division. Nicholl, dismissed by Southampton in 1991 after six years at The Dell, has taken over from Kenny Hibbitt, who was let go three weeks ago. The former Northern Ireland central defender has accepted a 12-month contract and will be in charge for the first time for the Coca-Cola Cup second-round tie against West Ham United at the Bescot stadium tonight.

Lomas leads England

TABLE TENNIS: Lisa Lomas will lead England in their opening European Women's League match in the super division at Ashford, Middlesex, tonight. The England No 1, from Luton, who is ranked nineteenth in Europe, will be partnered by Andrea Holt, of Lancashire, and Alison Gordon, of Berkshire. Poland should provide England with a comfortable warm-up for their next game against Sweden, particularly as the Poles will be missing their top doubles pairing of Alina Mikijanic and Jolanta Szatko.

Couples seals win

GOLF: The United States captured the inaugural Presidents Cup on Sunday, winning when Fred Couples birdied the 18th hole to beat Nick Price, of Zimbabwe, by one hole. The point gave the United States an unbeatable 17-9 lead in the 32-match event over the International team comprised of non-Europeans, which was played on the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club in Gainesville, Virginia. The United States eventually won by 20 points to 12.

British women excel

TENNIS: Mandy Wainwright and Emily Bond, of Britain, overturned the rankings yesterday to qualify for the £100,000 Moscow Open. Wainwright, Britain's No 1 junior from Chingford, beat Caroline Dhenin, of France, 6-3, 6-4 in the final qualifying round and now faces Petra Begerow, of Germany. Bond, 20, from Gloucestershire, qualified for her first WTA Tour event after saving three match points to defeat Nanne Dahlman, of Finland, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5.

Premier league plan under fire

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

SECOND division rugby league clubs are mustering significant opposition to a sixteen-team premier league from next season. Their veto of the proposal could herald a long-feared breakaway by leading clubs.

The plan requires a two-thirds majority of the 35 member clubs of the Rugby Football League (RFL), a figure beginning to look optimistic. As well as severing their financial lifelines, the proposal would reduce the voting rights of clubs outside an elite league.

Realising they could be sanctioning their own demise at the special meeting of clubs a fortnight tomorrow, the smaller clubs are determined to make their possible last full votes count. It is a double-edged sword, however, as scuppering the RFL's proposed premier league would almost certainly cause the existing first division to break away.

The RFL is determined to avoid this scenario, with Maurice Lindsay, the chief executive, arguing that the best interests of the game is served by the first division remaining with the main body. This failed to prevent the second division clubs yesterday calling a separate meeting to organise opposition.

The need for change identified in a report called *Framing the Future* is not disputed. However, the speed of change and financial implications for those down the scale are disputed. After taking early soundings, Malcolm White, the Swinton chairman, is confident the premier league proposal will be rejected.

"The original meeting at Wigan to announce the plan was a set-up," White said. "It's wrong all the money will be channelled to the top clubs and that they should have two votes to our one. That would give the big clubs carte blanche to do whatever they want."

It is an opinion apparently shared by a number of second division clubs. The RFL's proposals are a political compromise to try to get approval for its premier league, but instead of immediate closures and amalgamations, which the smaller clubs had feared, they see themselves being slowly bled dry.

☐ Graham Lowe, Wigan's former New Zealand coach, has been appointed coach of Western Samoa for the World Cup in October next year.

Funding found for masters of mud

BY DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S cross country runners are to be allocated £30,000 to prepare for the world championships in Durham next March. The British Athletic Federation (BAF) payout follows a dismal showing at the world championships in Budapest last season, when British teams failed to win a medal from the four races.

"It is recognition that we need to look seriously at our endurance runners," Matt Frazer, the secretary of the BAF, said yesterday. "In spite of some good performances this summer from Rob Denmark and one or two others, overall we seem to be in a low period in terms of our endurance running."

Britain used to dominate cross country, but, for the last two seasons, performances at the world championships have sunk to an all-time low.

Endurance squad funding has been in operation in other European countries for some time, and the federation recognition that it needs to step into line is welcome. Last year, the cross country budget was a mere £40,000. Coaching received £1,000.

The £30,000 for Durham — the first occasion the championships will have been held in Britain since 1983 — is in addition to the cross country commission's annual budget. It will be spent, Frazer said, on squad weekends, competitive experience abroad for juniors, and medical assistance. None will be used to entice athletes to run in the world championships. "That has been a debate, but the answer is no," Frazer said. However, he was encouraged that Denmark had indicated that he wanted to make the British team.

Denmark, who prefers fast going, may be put off, however, once he discovers that the five-lap course contains a big hill. However, it is to be hoped that his interest remains in tact because, in the Bupa Great North Run on Sunday, he revealed hidden depths of strength.

In his half marathon debut, Denmark recorded 62min 37sec to add a British championship bronze medal to his AAA 10,000 metres title, Commonwealth 5,000 metres gold and European silver medal this summer. He is to rest for a month and has ruled out competing in the European cross country championships in Alnwick, Northumberland, on December 10.

There will be no British trial for Alnwick. Selection will be based on assessment of summer and early-winter form and teams will be named on November 12.

Mansell admires dream team from afar

FROM OLIVER HOLT
IN NAZARETH, PENNSYLVANIA

GOODBYE to America, to K-Mart, Texaco, turnpikes and oval speedways. Nigel Mansell may still have one more race to go before he ends his exile in the United States and returns to Formula One but there was an air of finality about his last oval race here on Sunday.

Mansell clinched the IndyCar series here a year ago however, on Sunday, Mansell was reduced to the role of glorified spectator as the Penske "dream team" of Paul Tracy, Al Unser Jr and Emerson Fittipaldi accelerated away from him. Their domination this year is unprecedented in the history of this sport: they have occupied the first three places in races five times this season and Unser Jr claimed the championshipten days ago in Elkhart Lake.

The Penskes finished four laps clear of the field in the 200-lap race and Mansell, who retired after 95 laps, was unabashed in his admiration. "They are a joy to watch," he said.

"They can drive anywhere on this track. It was very, very impressive, if a little frustrating."

Penske's dominance — which has contributed to the Newman-Haas team's worst season — has heightened interest in off-track machinations. Everyone knows Mansell is on his way back to Formula One for the last three races of the season in Spain, Japan and Australia, but there was speculation here after the race that Tracy might join him.

Tracy, whose position at Penske next year is in doubt, has been tipped to replace Mansell at Newman-Haas, but he was approached by Benetton over the weekend to test for them after Sunday's Portuguese grand prix in Estoril. "I have to ask Roger Penske's permission to do that but I am certainly interested in the testing," Tracy said.

Results from company golf days

The four top scorers in the individual Stableford competitions played on the company golf days listed below now comprise the company team eligible to qualify for a regional final.

1, R Morrison 37pts; 2, G Brown 35; 3, T Burley 33; 4, P Cruickshank 32

1, P Brooks 34pts; 2, J Blight 33; 3, B Bulman 31; 4, M Jackson 30

1, N Rayner 40pts; 2, G Hutchison 35; 3, N Brooks 35; 4, T Bott 34

1, J Smalley 42pts; 2, T Spencer 41; 3, A Eyle 39; 4, R Stone 37

1, P Fallon 35pts; 2, H Nixon 33; 3, M Knowles 33; 4, N Varnham 31

1, R Nathwani 36pts; 2, L Wheatley 37; 3, T Wright 37; 4, P Morris 36

1, M Fairlee 37pts; 2, J Calder 30; 3, N Burgess 25; 4, B Peet 25

1, P Kinloch 36pts; 2, G Campbell 35; 3, A Stokoe 34; 4, A Grant 33

1, C Stevens 40pts; 2, A Lovell 37; 3, H Beles 36; 4, K Lyons 34

1, G Lindsay 39pts; 2, B Thomas 37; 3, B Collins 32; 4, J Samuel 31

1, R Boddie 47pts; 2, S Bailey 45; 3, S Eames 43; 4, T Millership 42

1, M Katzler 44pts; 2, J Holder 42; 3, M Wood 36; 4, R Long 35

1, S Eplin 32pts; 2, N Johnson 32; 3, D Chester 32; 4, L Beevis 30

1, R Goodhew 37pts; 2, S Stowell 36; 3, D Haigh 35; 4, G Brotherwood 34

1, G Keeys 34pts; 2, M Ost 34; 3, G Wilson 34; 4, P Brown 32

1, R Hamer 38pts; 2, T Hobden 30; 3, J Brookes 29; 4, J Porter 28

1, K Stevens 35pts; 2, G Monkman 32; 3, S Swales 31; 4, I Hall 31

1, M Hughes 41pts; 2, K Cunningham 40; 3, T Moffat 38; 4, J Meek 38

1, M McEvoy 37pts; 2, D McAndrew 35; 3, G Harris 30; 4, M Green 29

1, T Henwood 36pts; 2, R Lister 34; 3, P Cooke 34; 4, A Hickmen 29

1, T Elliot 40pts; 2, R Radcliff 33; 3, D Watson 33; 4, D Matheson 31

1, M Hollis 38pts; 2, K Waller 35; 3, R Ironmonger 33; 4, C Bastin 27

1, W Renwick 38pts; 2, B Murray 34; 3, M Sprence 33; 4, D Carruthers 33

1, A Blatherwick 34pts; 2, J Berry 33; 3, R Mills 33; 4, S Riley 33

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WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 48

HOROPITO

(c) A small, aromatic, evergreen New Zealand tree, *Pseudowintera axillaris* = Pepper-tree, from the Maori name. "A straggling shrub, with bright green shining leaves, resembling those of the nutmeg-tree; and a profusion of rich and delicate blossoms, looking like waxwork. The natives call this plant horopito."

KANGA

(c) Indian corn, *Zea mays*, the New Zealand word, also *kaanga*, from the Maori: "Indian corn received the name of kanga, the Maori form of the word corn. A unique method of utilising it as food was evolved. The unhusked cobs were placed in fenced enclosures in still water where the grain became soft."

MAESTRIA

(c) Skill or mastery, the Italian word for mastery: "Sir Charles can occasionally be persuaded to render the 'Volga Boatmen's Song', which he sings with incomparable maestria." "While admiring the maestria of this piece of writing by Mr Shaw I find in it several inaccuracies."

MOLALE

(b) A Penutian Indian people of Oregon, a member of this people, also, their language, the native name. "Hale established this family and placed under it the Cailloux or Cayuse or Willetpoos, and the Molale. The Molale were a mountain tribe and occupied a belt of mountain country south of the Columbia River."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1, Qh6!, threatening 2, Ng6 mate, is unanswerable, e.g. 1. . . . Bf7: 2, Qf6+ Kg8: 3, Rg1+ mating swiftly.
1. . . . Qxh1 mate was Ivanchuk's extraordinary oversight.

South Africa may turn to Woolmer

WARWICKSHIRE's unique achievement of winning a county cricket treble of championship, Sunday league and Benson and Hedges Cup was reflected in the confirmation yesterday that their director of coaching, Bob Woolmer, is on a shortlist of three for the post of South Africa's national coach (Marcus Williams writes).

His rivals are Eddie Barlow, the former South Africa all-rounder, who has coached or managed Gloucestershire, Orange Free State and Transvaal, and Duncan Fletcher, a former Zimbabwe batsman, who has coached Western Province for one season.

The South African cricket board wants "a highly qualified technical coach". Barlow is seen more as a motivator, so Woolmer's greater experience — he has had five seasons with Boland as well as four with Warwickshire — may get him the vote when he is interviewed in Johannesburg on Friday. The decision will be announced the following day.

"It would be a tough wrench to leave Warwickshire after we've achieved so much, but I've stated before that my ambition is to coach at the highest level," Woolmer said yesterday. "Somehow, I would like to combine the two jobs and maybe a deal could be done." Woolmer has one year of his contract with Warwickshire to run.

As the English season drew to a close, so the Australians, led by their new captain, Mark Taylor, arrived in Pakistan for a seven-week that will embrace three Test matches and a triangular one-day series that will also include South Africa.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship
Final day of four

Lancashire v Leicestershire

OLD TRAFFORD: *Lancashire (8pts) drew with Leicestershire (5)*
LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings 206 (P E Robinson 54; G Chapple 5 for 59).

Second Innings

P V Simmons c Speak b Martin	29
N E Briers not out	30
T J Boon not out	0
Extras (b3, lb5, w1)	9
Total (1 wkt)	67

FALL OF WICKET: 1-68.
BOWLING: Martin 10-4-20-1; Chapple 7-1-24-0; Barnett 4-1-15-0.
LANCASHIRE: First Innings 358-9 dec (N J Speak 70, J P Crawley 70, G D Lloyd 51).
Umpires: B Dudleston and R Julian.

No play yesterday

TAUNTON: Somerset (1pd) drew with Derbyshire (1). Somerset 228-4 (R J Harden 95, A N Hayhurst 92 not out, M E Trescothick 51).
WORCESTER: Worcestershire (4pts) drew with Durham (3). Worcs 351-7 dec (T M Moody 159, S J Rhodes 55 not out; A C Cummins 4-70); Durham 193-2 (S Hutton 81 not out, J A Daley 60 not out).
HOVE: Sussex (5pts) drew with Yorkshire (3). Sussex 226 (A P Wells 84; M A Robinson 4-44) and 181-6 (Wells 55, P Moores 56; D Gough 4-68); Yorkshire 248 (M D Moxon 66, R J Blakey 61 not out; E S H [illegible] 4-77).
[illegible]: Essex (4pts) drew with [illegible] (4). Northamptonshire [illegible] K M Curran 82, A R Roberts 54, J H Childs 104, M S Kasprowicz 4-92); Essex 197-9 (R C Irani 57, G A Gooch 50; R J Bailey 6-59).
OVAL: Surrey (4pts) drew with Kent (4). Kent 445 (T R Ward 109, M J Walker 107, G R Cowdrey 69); Surrey 70-1.
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire (4pts) drew with Warwickshire (4). Gloucestershire 372-9 dec (G D Hodgson 113, T H C Hancock 70, M G N Windows 63; R P Davis 6-128); Warwickshire 24-0.
SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire (4pts) drew with Glamorgan (4). Hampshire 331 (S D Udal 94; S L Watkin 5-99); Glamorgan 197-4 (A Roseberry 65, D L Hemp 61).
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire (4pts) drew with Middlesex (3). Nottinghamshire 350-7 dec (C C Lewis 108 not out); Middlesex 52-0.

COUNTY TABLE

	P	W	L	D.	Bt	Bl	Pts
Warwicks (16)	17	11	1	5	41	55	272
Leics (9)	17	8	7	2	42	60	230
Notts (7)	17	8	5	4	38	51	218
Middlesex (1)	17	7	3	7	43	57	212
Northants (4)	17	8	4	5	28	52	209
Essex (11)	17	7	5	5	32	53	207
Surrey (6)	17	7	7	3	32	57	201
Sussex (10)	17	7	5	5	28	50	200
Kent (8)	17	6	7	4	44	58	196
Lancashire (13)	17	6	6	5	32	59	194
Somerset (5)	17	7	7	3	32	47	191
Glouc (17)	17	5	8	4	28	56	172
Hampshire (13)	17	4	7	6	33	55	159
Yorkshire (12)	17	4	8	7	36	57	152
Worcs (2)	17	4	6	7	42	52	150
Durham (18)	17	4	10	3	32	57	153
Derbyshire (15)	17	4	9	4	25	54	143
Glamorgan (3)	17	2	8	7	28	50	111

Gloucestershire and Hampshire records include eight points for drawn matches in which scores finished level
Lancashire deducted 25 points because of unsuitable pitch
(1993 positions in brackets)

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Quick Ransom cleared for Cup run

By Richard Evans
Racing Correspondent

QUICK Ransom has received the all-clear to run in the Melbourne Cup as an Australian racing enthusiast agreed to buy a two-thirds share in the tough stayer, trained at Middleham by Mark Johnston, who yesterday celebrated his first century of winners.

The decision means four European horses will now head for the other side of the world next month in preparation for Australia's prestigious race. John Dunlop confirmed My Patriarch will join Quick Ransom on the aircraft leaving Britain on October 3, while Dermot Weld is sending last year's historic winner, Vintage Crop, and Cliveden Gail.

A fascinating line of form, involving Arcadian Heights, the Ascot Gold Cup winner, certainly gives Quick Ransom every chance against Vintage Crop in Melbourne.

At Ascot, Vintage Crop finished three-quarters of a length behind Arcadian Heights at level weights, albeit on firmish ground which would not have been ideal for the Irish horse. In the Doncaster Cup earlier this month, Quick Ransom was also runner-up to Arcadian Heights, beaten a length and a quarter, having received 7lb from the Geoff Wragg-trained winner.

In the Melbourne Cup, Quick Ransom is due to carry 8st 5lb compared to the 9st 8lb allotted to Vintage Crop. In theory, at least, the Johnston horse is handicapped to come out best although Vintage Crop is unquestionably at his best in the autumn.

Johnston said yesterday: "We are the handicapped horse; Vintage Crop is the class horse. He is the one I fear and I do not feel so confident after seeing Vintage Crop winning the Irish St Leger, but for a prize of that magnitude it is worth a shot."

Wayne Heathcote, an Australian art consultant and keen racegoer, has bought two thirds of the six-year-old gelding from his owner, Stuart Morrison, a Glasgow solicitor, who will retain his third share until the end of the Australian Flat season, which ends next June.

"I have mixed feelings as I will be losing the horse and he has been with me since I moved to Middleham five years ago," Johnston added. Johnston and Morrison are keen for Jason Weaver to retain the ride on Quick Ransom in Australia, but the final decision will rest with the new majority shareholder.

My Patriarch finished seven lengths behind Vintage Crop at the Curragh on Saturday off level weights but Dunlop's stayer is due to receive 7lb in Australia. The Arundel trainer reported My Patriarch to be in fine condition following his weekend exertions. "I was pleased with his performance on Saturday and the plan is still to send him to Melbourne where we would hope for firm ground."

Corals, the only big bookmaker to be betting on the Cup, now make the former Geoff Wragg-trained Jeune the 7-1 favourite for the near two-mile race (3,200 metres). Vintage Crop, who had been 16-1 when betting began, is 8-1 while Quick Ransom is 16-1 and My Patriarch a 25-1 shot.

The Jockey Club's disciplinary committee will hold an inquiry next Tuesday into the much-publicised clash between Kieran Fallon and Stuart Webster at Beverley last Wednesday.

Webster was pulled off his horse by Fallon after winning the John Mangles Memorial Handicap and the inquiry will decide if Fallon was guilty of reckless, irresponsible, careless or improper riding or intentionally caused interference "in any part of a race."

The committee will also consider the subsequent altercation between the two jockeys in the weighing room. Fallon, who is likely to receive a lengthy ban, yesterday won on Fame Again at Pontefract.

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Nap: PAB'S CHOICE
(3.00 Nottingham)

Next best: Go Hever Golf
(4.45 Kempton Park)

MARTIN LYNCH



A majority share has been sold in Quick Ransom, nearside, who will continue his career in Australia, starting with the Melbourne Cup

Grand Lodge to bypass Ascot for Champion

GRAND Lodge was the most notable absentee from the nine horses declared for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot on Saturday.

The St James's Palace Stakes winner was yesterday pulled out of the £250,000 showpiece of the Festival of British Racing for which he was quoted at 10-1 by William Hill.

He finished a close fourth to Cezanne in the Guinness Champion Stakes at Leopardstown last time out and his trainer, Willie Jarvis, said yesterday: "He is fine but he was never going to be declared for Ascot. I was satisfied with his run in Ireland and think he stayed the ten-furlong trip so he will probably run next in the Champion Stakes at Newmarket on October 15."

Sayyedati, fifth to Ski Paradise in the Prix Moulin at Longchamp last time out, is also not certain to run. Her trainer, Clive Brittain, said: "We won't make a decision for a couple of days, but she will not run if the ground is soft.

"Her main target is the Breeders' Cup so we don't want to give her a hard race on ground that is too heavy. If she doesn't run on Saturday, she may go for the Challenge Stakes at Newmarket or the Prix de la Foret at Longchamp."

Conditions on Saturday are more likely to favour soft-ground performers Turtle Island and Mehthaaf.

The clerk of the course, Sir Nicholas Beaumont, said: "We have had half an inch of rain and it is still raining. The going is currently good to soft and soft entering Swinley Bottom."

Robert Sangster's Turtle Island was heavily backed with William Hill yesterday and is now 4-1 second favourite, having opened at 10-1 a fortnight ago.

Hills' latest betting: 2-1 Distant View, 4-1 Turtle Island, 9-2 East Of The Moon, 7-1 Mehthaaf, 8-1 Bigstone, Ski Paradise, 10-1 Barathea, 16-1 Sayyedati, 66-1 Maroof.

Only ten two-year-old colts have stood their ground for the group two Royal Lodge Stakes over a mile. This is the race that threw up 2,000 Guineas winner Mister Baileys last year, but the Henry Cecil-trained Eltish is the only entrant with group race honours already to his name this time.

Other promising colts in opposition to Eltish include Ela-Aristokrati, Fahal and Stiletto Blade, who have already shown their worth this season.

Fahal has not yet been given the green light for this contest, but trainer David Morley is keen for his colt, who won the listed Bellway Homes *Stardom Stakes* at Goodwood by 2½ lengths from Precede last time out, to take his chance.

Morley said yesterday: "I'll have to consult with the owner, Shaikh Hamdan, and his manager, Angus Gold, but I would certainly be in favour of him running. "He's come out of his Goodwood race well and I'm very pleased with him."

The Ian Balding-trained Stiletto Blade won the Chertsey Lock Conditions Stakes at Kempton on his debut from Takkatamm. The form has been given a boost by the subsequent victories of third-placed Munwar and fourth-placed Annus Mirabilis.

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THUNDERER

1.45 Pending
2.15 Bells
2.45 Alfaaselah
3.15 SCHNOZZLE (nap)
3.45 Embankment
4.15 Ikhtiraa
4.45 Risky Royal

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.15 Bells. 4.45 Legal Issue.

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103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: SOFT DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

1.45 HEATHROW MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,953: 1m) (14 runners)

101 (12) 0 ACE CHAPEL 14 (P Jacobs) C C Elsey 9-0 ... W Newnes 82
102 (13) 06005 ARNIE 14 (J Daniels) M Dixon 9-0 ... A Clark 78
103 (7) CAROL'S DREAM (Mrs C Lane) J Hills 9-0 ... R Hills —
104 (4) 0 CROWNED GLORY 14 (HRH Prince Fahd Salman) P Cole 9-0 ... T Quinn —
105 (2) 000 DECEIT THE SECOND 21 (K Badwell) G Lewis 9-0 ... Paul Eddery 73
106 (10) HADABET (The Basics) Miss J Doyle 9-0 ... B Doyle —
107 (5) 6 LORD PALMERSTON 18 (T Hely-Hutchinson) P Cole 9-0 ... C Rutter 99
108 (1) NASH TERRACE (Lord Weinstock) R Charlton 9-0 ... Pat Eddery —
109 (11) PENDING (The Queen) I Balding 9-0 ... L Dettori —
110 (9) POLYDAMAS (A Christodoulou) M Stoute 9-0 ... J Reid —
111 (14) QENTUS DECIMUS (Pentlyon Properties Ltd) Lord Huntingdon 9-0 ... D Harrison —
112 (8) LILAC RAIN (J Cotton) J Arnold 8-9 ... B Thomson —
113 (3) 00 MY MUM SAID 19 (W David) Lady Herries 8-9 ... T Ives 80
114 (6) 0 VALLAYER COSTER 14 (R Green (Fine Paintings)) J Arnold 8-9 Stephen Davies (5) —

BETTING: 7-2 Nash Terrace, 4-1 Polydamas, 5-1 Pending, Lord Palmerston, 10-1 Crowned Glory, 12-1 Carol's Dream, 14-1 others.

1993: DYNAMIC DELUXE 9-0 S O'Gorman (8-1) I Balding 22 ran

FORM FOCUS

ARNIE 10¾l 5th of 9 to Mahbir in maiden at Lingfield (6f, good). CAROL'S DREAM (foaled Mar 23). Half-brother by Risen Star to numerous winners in North America; dam four-time winner in North America. LORD PALMERSTON about 9¾l 6th of 10 to Stiletto Blade in conditions race at Kempton (7f, good). NASH TERRACE (May 11). Half-sister by Nashwan to useful staying handicapper and winning hurdler Gay Gallant and to Albena, 1m 2f winner at three years this season; dam dual 1m 2f winner. PENDING (Jun 2). Half-brother by Shareef Dancer to handicapper Sat The Fashion, multiple 7f/1m winner; dam winner over 1m 5f/1m 6f at three years. POLYDAMAS (Mar 22). Half-brother by Last Tycoon to Thourios, very useful 6f-1m performer from two to four years, and to Akamantis, 1m juvenile winner, later progressing into a useful middle-distance performer; dam 7f/1m 4f winner, including the Lancashire Oaks.
Selection: LORD PALMERSTON

2.15 TANGMERE MAIDEN STAKES
(3-Y-O: £3,793: 1m 4f) (15 runners)

201 (3) 6 ECHENTONE 14 (J Bainbridge) A Hide 9-0 ... M Tebbutt 83
202 (7) 00 ENVIRONMENT FOCUS 8 (W Gredley) G Rimmer 9-0 ... B Rouse 77
203 (13) 040-0 INDIAN TEMPLE 57 (V) (D Clarke) M Saunders 9-0 ... N Adams 50
204 (5) 046 JATHIB 97 (L Giacomi) C Williams 9-0 ... J Quinn 95
205 (6) 0 RYAN GIGGS 110 (Mrs C Barclay) A Jarvis 9-0 ... S Busfield (7) —
206 (8) 043084 TUKANO 8 (B Nielsen) R Hannon 9-0 ... T Quinn 99
207 (11) 550650 WAKINS 13 (B) (R Burridge) D Elsworth 9-0 ... W Newnes 91
208 (10) 2 BALLET ROUGE 14 (L Reid) A Jarvis 8-9 ... N Varley (5) 56
209 (14) 43 BELLS 113 (BF) (Fittocks Stud) L Cumani 8-9 ... J Reid 91
210 (1) 00 CUT AND RUN 31 (T Holland-Martin) J Fanshawe 8-9 ... W Woods 80
211 (4) 43 KAMA TASHOOF 42 (B,BF) (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Stewart 8-9 S Whitworth 84
212 (12) 0-0000 SOPHIE MAY 26 (J Daniels) M Dixon 8-9 ... A Clark 77
213 (9) SUPER ASSIGNATION (Whitcombe Manor Racing Ltd) D Elsworth 8-9 ... R Hughes —
214 (15) 0 TERIBEM 22 (The Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) C Brittain 8-9 ... B Doyle —
215 (2) 0 WIZZY LIZZY 12 (Whitcombe Manor Racing Ltd) D Elsworth 8-9 ... D Harrison 77

BETTING: 7-2 Ballet Rouge, 5-1 Bells, 7-1 Tukano, 8-1 Kama Tashoof, Wakins, 10-1 Super Assignation, 12-1 others.

1993: ELATIS 8-9 J Carroll (8-1) J Gosden 19 ran

FORM FOCUS

JATHIB about 12¾l 6th of 7 to Campaign in maiden at Ripon (1m 2f, good to firm). TUKANO about 7¾l 4th of 15 to Jacob Faithful in maiden at Bath (1m 3f 144yd, good) with ENVIRONMENT FOCUS about 23¾l 10th. BALLET ROUGE 1¾l 2nd of 17 to Saxon's Walk in maiden at Leicester (1m 2f, good to firm) with ECHENTONE about 6l 6th. BELLS 3¼l 3rd of 7 to Dreams in maiden at Doncaster (1m 2f 60yd, good to firm). KAMA TASHOOF about 3l 3rd of 6 to Rainbow Mountain in conditions race at Yarmouth (1m 3f 101yd, good). WIZZY LIZZY 12l 7th of 9 to Isle Of Spice in maiden at Folkestone (1m 1f 149yd, good to soft).
Selection: TUKANO

2.45 KENLEY CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £4,883: 1m) (3 runners)

301 (1) 11 HIWAYA 19 (C,G) (H Al Maktoum) R Thomson Jones 9-2 ... R Hills 99
302 (3) 51 ALFAASELAH 14 (G) (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-11 ... Pat Eddery 92
303 (2) LADY KATE (Mrs E Rickards) C Brittain 8-8 ... B Doyle —

BETTING: 1-3 Hiwaya, 9-4 Alfaaselah, 12-1 Lady Kate.

1993: BEARALL 8-10 B Rouse (10-1) R Hannon 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

HIWAYA beat Assoda 5l in 6-runner conditions race here (7f, good). Previously, beat Star Tulip ¾l in maiden at Ayr (6f, good). ALFAASELAH beat New Man neck in 15-runner maiden at Lingfield (7f, good). LADY KATE (foaled April 16, cost 41,000gns). Sister by Trempolino to King Ubad, middle-distance and hurdles winner and half-sister to several winners including top-class middle-distance winner Village Star; dam 1m 2f winner.
Selection: HIWAYA

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
M Prescott	3	13	23.1	Pat Eddery	47	229	20.5
R Charlton	14	68	20.6	W Woods	3	21	14.3
J Fanshawe	9	54	16.7	D Harrison	8	75	10.7
H Thomson Jones	7	42	16.7	Paul Eddery	12	119	10.1
B Hanbury	4	30	16.0	Only qualifiers			
A Stewart	3	20	15.0				

3.15 JONNIE MULLINGS MEMORIAL HANDICAP
(£4,468: 1m) (18 runners)

401 (17) 060310 BALLERINA BAY 12 (V,C,D,F,G) (Mrs C Whitwood) D Thom 6-9-13 N Varley (5) 93
402 (4) 020310 DOUBLE FLUTTER 19 (V,C,D,BF,F,G) (J Carey) M Channon 5-9-10 ... R Hughes 96
403 (11) 006004 CAZZUTO 14 (G,S) (J Dunlop) J Dunlop 3-9-10 ... Pat Eddery 95
404 (8) 36-0505 PANIKIN 111 (F,S) (P Lambert) J Wharton 6-8-8 ... J Quinn 91
405 (9) 054340 NICK THE BISCUIT 50 (G Middlebrook) M Usher 3-9-7 ... C Adamson (7) 94
406 (18) 083430 SHOOFK 39 (D,S) (S Dow) S Dow 3-9-6 ... B Thomson 95
407 (8) 020-622 SILVER GROOM 20 (D,F,S) (Silver Darling Pons) R Akehurst 4-9-6 ... T Quinn 96
408 (10) 0-0340 BLESSED MEMORY 7 (Mrs M Payne) R Dickin 3-9-2 ... C Rutter 85
409 (15) 0-34103 A MILLION WATTS 24 (D,F) (J Constable) Lady Herries 3-8-13 ... T Ives 94
410 (14) 520100 SARMATIAN 17 (D,F) (M Allan) C Wall 3-8-10 ... M Tebbutt 94
411 (3) 0/14-480 SPRING SIXPENCE 33 (F) (CIT Racing Ltd) J Fanshawe 4-8-10 ... W Woods 91
412 (7) 500250 VALIANT MAN 24 (C,S) (J Rose) J Wharton 3-8-9 ... A Clark 93
413 (16) 233482 SCHNOZZLE 19 (M Duff) M Fetherston-Godley 3-8-7 ... J Reid 98
414 (12) 2-00015 CINDY'S STAR 27 (V,D,F) (Miss C Hawkings) M Heaton-Ellis 3-8-7 ... W Newnes 89
415 (2) 400040 LADY LACEY 10 (V,C,D,F,G,S) (Mrs K Parris) G Balding 7-8-7 ... J Williams 97
416 (13) 060303 RAFTER-J 6 (S) (T Ford) Miss J S Doyle 3-8-6 ... B Doyle 99
417 (5) 405054 MAZIRAH 19 (A Schill) P Makin 3-8-5 ... L Dettori 96
418 (1) 0-00040 STAY WITH ME BABY 54 (D,G) (Adept Ltd) D Elsworth 4-8-5 ... D Harrison 98

BETTING: 6-1 Silver Groom, 10-1 Lady Lacey, Cazzuto, Ballerina Bay, Schnozzle, 12-1 Panikin, A Million Watts, 14-1 others.

1993: EMBANKMENT 3-9-6 Pat Eddery (12-1) R Hannon 18 ran

FORM FOCUS

BALLERINA BAY beat Deliver 1¼l in 24-runner handicap at York (7f, good) on penultimate start. DOUBLE FLUTTER beat Kingchip Boy neck in 17-runner handicap here (7f, good to firm) on penultimate start. CAZZUTO about 2¾l 4th of 15 to Go With Bo in handicap at Lingfield (7f, good). NICK THE BISCUIT 7¾l 4th of 8 to Shortfall in handicap at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good) on penultimate start. SHOOFK 1¼l 2nd of 15 to Courser in handicap at Goodwood (1m 1f, firm) on penultimate start, with CINDY'S STAR (2lb better off) 22¾l 12th. SILVER GROOM (later demoted to 2nd) beat Zajko head in 16-runner handicap at York (1m, good to firm). CINDY'S STAR beat Roby Estate 2l in 10-runner claimer at Nottingham (1m, good to firm) on penultimate start.
Selection: CAZZUTO

3.45 WEST MALLING HURRICANE RATED HANDICAP
(£6,862: 1m) (8 runners)

501 (4) 3-01321 NEW CAPRICORN 89 (C,D,F,G,S) (K Bhatia) M Jarvis 4-9-7 ... T Ives 90
502 (3) 1-02636 IN LIKE FLYNN 52 (D,G,S) (M Meiglon) R Hannon 3-9-4 ... Mark Denaro (7) 85
503 (7) 142034 EMBANKMENT 10 (CD,F,S) (Lady Tennant) R Hannon 4-9-0 ... J Reid 97
504 (5) 600065 PAY HOMAGE 10 (CD,F,G) (Miss A Hill) I Balding 6-9-0 ... L Dettori 99
505 (2) 461060 CASTEL ROSSELO 67 (D,F,G,S) (R Dawson) Miss G Kelleway 4-8-8 ... A Mackay 98
506 (8) 000660 THREATENING 66 (G,S) (Lord Matthews) R Williams 3-8-7 ... D Harrison 97
507 (1) 1-22600 CAJUN CADET 24 (S) (M Pescod) R Charlton 3-8-4 ... Pat Eddery 94
508 (6) 1440 SHOT AT LOVE 12 (D,G) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 3-8-3 ... J D Smith (5) 91

BETTING: 5-2 New Capricorn, 3-1 Pay Homage, 7-2 In Like Flynn, 4-1 Embankment, 8-1 Castel Rosselo, Cajun Cadet, 12-1 Threatening, 16-1 Shot At Love.

1993: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

NEW CAPRICORN beat Taotao Black neck in 9-runner listed race at Capannelle (7f, good) on penultimate start. IN LIKE FLYNN 2¾l 3rd of 6 to Moccasin Run in conditions race at Newbury (7f 64yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. EMBANKMENT 5¾l 4th of 14 to Lap Of Luxury in handicap at Doncaster (1m, good) with PAY HOMAGE (2lb better off) 2¾l 5th. THREATENING about 4l 6th of 12 to Gymcrak Premiere in listed handicap at Lingfield (7f 140yd, good) on penultimate start. SHOT AT LOVE 12l 4th of 6 to Lemon Souffle in group II Falmouth Stakes at Newmarket (1m, good to firm).
Selection: NEW CAPRICORN

4.15 HENDON SELLING STAKES
(£3,346: 1m 1f) (17 runners)

601 (10) 01 BALTIC EXCHANGE 92 (B,F,G) (M Jones) M Pipe 5-9-7 ... Pat Eddery 80
602 (1) 660000 ECU DE FRANCE 10 (V,G) (D Knight) M Madgwick 4-9-7 ... C Avery 88
603 (2) 025000 IKHTIRAA 5 (B,S) (J Morton) P Mitchell 4-9-7 ... T Ives 79
604 (3) 480000 AMAAM AMAAM 21 (Mrs T Mills) T Mills 4-9-3 ... T Williams 93
605 (11) 034000 BRAVE HERO 20 (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-9-3 ... n Hall (7) 70
606 (7) 000406 FASHIONABLE DANCER 28 (C Brittain) C Brittain 4-9-3 ... N Imal 76
607 (8) 000-005 CLANCY'S EXPRESS 14 (Mrs J Cleary) G Balding 3-8-12 ... J Williams 87
608 (5) 00-000 DESERT PRESIDENT 8 (Trent Park Golf Club) R Hoad 3-8-12 ... J Reid 75
609 (4) 650000 HEALTHY RISK 8 (The Cheapside Syndicate) M Blanshard 3-8-12 ... W Woods 80
610 (15) 00500 MAYS FANCY 57 (Mrs A Jarvis) A Jarvis 3-8-12 ... N Varley (5) 65
611 (9) 000050 PINATUBO 22 (Kingstone Warren Partners) H Candy 3-8-12 ... Sarah Holland (7) 78
612 (6) 040000 SEASON'S STAR 43 (V) (J Sedgwick) Mrs M McCourt 4-8-12 ... A Tucker 84
613 (13) 40-0455 SHALHOLME 20J (B,G) (Mrs M Palmer) P Murphy 4-8-12 ... S Drowne (5) 77
614 (12) 000005 STRIDE TO GLORY 14 (C Morris) M McCormack 3-8-12 ... R Hughes 95
615 (16) 445030 ZUNO NOELYN 11 (F) (Mrs L Fabb) G Lewis 3-8-11 ... Paul Eddery 99
616 (17) 400503 DAME LORRAINE 10 (F Carnil) S Knight 3-8-7 ... Victoria Appleby (7) 98
617 (14) 0-40 FRESH EDGE 52 (Whiting Commodities) M Heaton-Ellis 3-8-7 Stephen Davies (5) 81

BETTING: 7-1 Dame Lorraine, Fashionable Dancer, 8-1 Baltic Exchange, Shalholme, 10-1 Fresh Edge, Season's Star, 12-1 others.

1993: COLTRANE 5-9-3 A Munro (6-1) Lord Huntingdon 20 ran

FORM FOCUS

BALTIC EXCHANGE beat Ann Hill ¾l in 11-runner seller at Warwick (1m 3f, firm). FASHIONABLE DANCER 13¼l 8th of 22 to Diamond Crown in selling handicap at Nottingham (1m 2f, good to firm). CLANCY'S EXPRESS 6¾l 5th of 9 to Todagra in maiden at Lingfield (7f, good). SHALHOLME 7¾l 5th of 12 to River Junction in handicap at Wolverhampton (AW, 1m 1f 79yd). ZUNO NOELYN neck 3rd to dead-heaters Lady Williams and Villavina at in handicap at Epsom (1m 114yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. DAME LORRAINE neck and ½l 3rd of 18 to Don Pepe in amateurs race at Goodwood (7f, good). FRESH EDGE 3¾l 4th of 10 to Kanat Lee in maiden at Chepstow (7f, good to firm) on penultimate start.
Selection: ZUNO NOELYN

4.45 DUXFORD NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £3,655: 5f) (10 runners)

1 (7) 512501 PRINCESS SADIE 6 (D,F,S) (J Good) M Channon 9-13 (7ex) ... D Harrison 95
2 (9) 014 CHEYENNE SPIRIT 33 (D,BF,F) (C Maunton) B Hanbury 9-7 ... T Ives 98
3 (8) 50220 SYLVANDRA 73 (Mrs P Wyatt) P Murphy 9-0 ... J Williams 88
4 (10) 040316 THAT MAN AGAIN 18 (D,F) (M Janeson) G Lewis 8-12 ... A Whelan (7) 92
5 (1) 222302 GO HEVER GOLF 14 (B,BF) (Hever Racing Club) T Naughton 8-12 ... Pat Eddery 93
6 (6) 650162 SALLY SLADE 12 (D,F) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 8-11 ... J Reid 97
7 (2) 24522 OUR DARLING BOY 6 (B) (J Horgan) R Hannon 8-7 ... L Dettori 99
8 (4) 051160 BOLD FRONTIER 24 (V,D,G) (K Ivory) K Ivory 8-4 ... D Biggs 96
9 (5) 3403 RISKY ROYAL 12 (Mrs S Sheldon) T Naughton 8-2 ... J Quinn 95
10 (3) 3063 LEGAL ISSUE 6 (BF) (Cheveley Park Stud) M Prescott 8-2 ... W Woods 95

BETTING: 4-1 Go Hever Golf, 5-1 Our Darling Boy, Princess Sadie, 7-1 Cheyenne Spirit, Sally Slade, 8-1 Risky Royal, That Man Again, 10-1 Legal Issue, 12-1 Bold Frontier, 14-1 Cheyenne Spirit.

1993: MY GALLERY 7-8 D Wright (10-1) A Bailey 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

PRINCESS SADIE beat Astral Invader 3l in 10-runner nursery at Sandown (5f, good to soft) with LEGAL ISSUE (4lb better off) ½l 3rd. CHEYENNE SPIRIT beat Rolling 1¾l in 6-runner maiden at Bath (5f, good to firm) on penultimate start. THAT MAN AGAIN beat Thick As Thieves 1l in nursery at Brighton (5f 59yd, firm) on penultimate start. GO HEVER GOLF 2l 2nd of 9 to Mahbir in maiden at Lingfield (6f, good). Previously 5¾l 8th of 18 to Lab Test in nursery at Newmarket (6f, good) with BOLD FRONTIER (2lb better off) 4¾l 15th and SALLY SLADE 4l 17th. SALLY SLADE 1l 2nd of 11 to Sumoquinn in nursery at Folkestone (5f, good to soft). OUR DARLING BOY 1l 2nd of 14 to Don Alvaro in claimer at Sandown (5f, good to soft).
Selection: GO HEVER GOLF

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Pontefract

Going: good to soft

2.15 (1m 4f 8yd) 1, Modest Hope (Miss Diana Jones, 9-2 jt-fav); 2, Strat's Legacy (9-1); 3, Mysterious Maid (9-2 jt-fav); 4, Bronze Runner (16-1) 17 ran. NR: Lyford Cay. ¾l, 5l. B Richmond. Tote: £5.80; £1.30, £2.80, £1.70, £4.40. DF: £30.70. Trio: £29.90. CSF: £43.24. Tricast: £180.07.

2.45 (5f) 1, Espartero (W Woods, 8-1); 2, Leap For Joy (11-4); 3, Zilayah (12-1). Nazute 2-1 fav 14 ran. 2½l, nk. M Prescott. Tote: £19.80; £4.10, £2.00, £4.00. DF: £61.50. CSF: £34.49.

3.15 (1m 4yd) 1, Fame Again (K Fallon, 5-2 fav); 2, Secret Service (20-1); 3, Green's Wootton (8-1). 13 ran. NR: Battleship Bruce. 1¾l, ¾l. Mrs J Ramsden. Tote: £3.30; £1.70, £4.70, £3.40. DF: £68.80. Trio: £113.60. CSF: £52.88. Tricast: £354.07.

3.45 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Ringmaster (P Robinson, 11-2); 2, Magic Junction (10-1); 3, Jazeel (3-1 jt-fav). Desert Fighter 3-1 jt-fav 8 ran. 1½l, 3l. M Tompkins. Tote: £5.10; £1.90, £2.40, £1.20. DF: £23.40. CSF: £52.00. Tricast: £177.62.

4.15 (1m 4yd) 1, Al Widyan (A McGlone, 5-6 fav, Thunderer's nap); 2, Warning Order (11-2); 3, Wol-If-We (5-1). 5 ran. 1¾l, 5l. H Cecil. Tote: £1.60; £1.10, £2.10. DF: £2.90. CSF: £5.28.

4.45 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Floating Line (M Wigham, 8-1); 2, Bahrain Star (12-1); 3, Rival Bid (5-2 fav). 12 ran. NR: Gilderdale, My Undianne, Positivo. 1½l, 1½l. P Wigham. Tote: £8.10; £2.20, £3.30, £1.70. DF: £59.70. CSF: £95.89.

5.15 (5f) 1, Seaside Minstrel (D Griffiths, 10-1); 2, Followmegirls (12-1); 3, Prince Belfort (11-2); 4, Souperficial (9-2 fav). 17 ran. NR: Lida's Delight. Hd, nk. D Williams. Tote: £11.60; £2.80, £2.50, £1.80, £1.80. DF: £44.40. Trio: £152.20. CSF: £122.83. Tricast: £681.25.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £3,657.20 carried forward to Kempton Park today).
Placepot: £16.40. Quadpot: £2.70.

Edinburgh

Going: good to firm

2.20 (1m 7f 16yd) 1, Brodessa (K Darley, 4-5 fav); 2, Gold Surprise (11-4); 3, Beaumood (40-1). 7 ran. ½l, 7l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £2.00; £1.50, £2.10. DF: £2.70. CSF: £3.27.

2.50 (5f) 1, Hannah's Usher (J Weaver, 3-1 fav); 2, Total Stranger (7-1); 3, Just Dissident (7-1). 10 ran. Sh hd, ¾l. P Haslam. Tote: £2.40; £1.80, £3.00, £3.70. DF: £7.70. Trio: £54.90. CSF: £21.76. Tricast: £120.27.

3.20 (5f) 1, Ramborette (K Darley, 17-2); 2, Nadwaty (7-1); 3, Floodline Lady (3-4 fav). 9 ran. Nk, 1¼l. Denys Smith. Tote: £13.00; £2.20, £1.80, £1.30. DF: £90.40. CSF: £61.21.

3.50 (1m 4f 31yd) 1, Gemikosix (A Culhane, 7-1); 2, Gymcrak Diamond (9-1); 3, Shuttlingslow (9-2). Masuri Kabisa 7-2 fav. 15 ran. ½l, 5l. B Beasley. Tote: £11.90; £3.50, £1.90, £2.80. DF: £50.20. Trio: £31.20. CSF: £63.76. Tricast: £287.86.

4.20 (7f 15yd) 1, Rose Chime (J Weaver, 6-4 fav); 2, Pash (33-1); 3, Wendy's Way (100-30). 11 ran. Sh hd, nk. M Johnston. Tote: £2.40; £1.10, £8.10, £2.10. DF: £62.10. CSF: £43.14.

4.50 (7f 15yd) 1, King Chestnut (J Fortune, 16-1); 2, Alabang (7-2 fav); 3, Simply A Sequel (5-1). 15 ran. NR: Quiet Mission. 4l, 3l. M Dods. Tote: £28.00; £3.60, £3.10, £2.40. DF: £342.50. Trio: £277.00. CSF: £71.89. Tricast: £277.00.

Placepot: £36.40. Quadpot: £103.10.

Nottingham

Going: soft

2.00 (1m 54yd) 1, *Flemensfirth* (L Dettori, 13-2); 2, Mutarej (10-1); 3, Zanjabeel (4-1 jt-fav). Beltry 4-1 jt-fav. 13 ran. 3l, 4l. J Gosden. Tote: £6.00; £2.00, £2.70, £2.20. DF: £211.40. CSF: £67.94.

2.30 (6f 15yd) 1, Cabcharge Blue (Pat Eddery, 6-1 jt-fav); 2, Don't Look Now (10-1); 3, Almasi (14-1); 4, Annie Fay (12-1). Fairybird 6-1 jt-fav. 21 ran. 1l, hd. T Naughton. Tote: £8.00; £2.10, £2.20, £2.30, £2.50. DF: £22.80. Trio: £59.40. CSF: £65.20. Tricast: £768.86.

3.00 (5f 13yd) 1, The Fed (M Hills, 12-1); 2, Hickory Blue (5-1 fav); 3, Lorins Gold (16-1); 4, Scored Again (20-1). 24 ran. NR: Moujeeb, Windrush Boy. 1¾l, ¾l. R Whitaker. Tote: £13.20; £3.60, £1.90, £5.90, £7.70. DF: £45.70. Trio: £1,836.80. CSF: £80.59. Tricast: £954.52.

3.30 (6f 15yd) 1, Stylish Ways (M Hills, 4-1 jt-fav); 2, Blue Ocean (5-1); 3, Bold Gesture (4-1 jt-fav). 15 ran. 2l, 4l. G Wragg. Tote: £4.70; £2.10, £2.40, £3.30. DF: £17.60. CSF: £27.05.

4.00 (1m 1f 213yd) 1, Clouded Elegance (Mr A Balding, 11-1); 2, Preston Guild (12-1); 3, Saint Ciel (11-2 jt-fav); 4, Night Edition (11-2 jt-fav). 17 ran. NR: Roseate Lodge, Threshfield. 1¼l, 1¼l. I Balding. Tote: £19.20; £3.30, £2.70, £2.40, £3.50. DF: £124.50. Trio: £181.70. CSF: £145.65. Tricast: £760.10.

4.30 (1m 1f 213yd) 1, Shepton Mallet (L Dettori, 15-8 fav); 2, Cottelr Chief (9-4); 3, Blue Lion (2-1). 4 ran. NR: Brightside. 4l, 1¾l. J Gosden. Tote: £3.00. DF: £3.40. CSF: £6.07.

5.00 (2m 9yd) 1, Ibsen (G Carter, 17-2); 2, Tanhooth (7-1); 3, Fruitful Affair (13-2); 4, So Saucy (20-1). High Five 4-1 fav. 19 ran. NR: Tommy Cooper. ¾l, 5l. R Akehurst. Tote: £9.30; £3.00, £1.90, £1.60, £7.50. DF: £56.30. Trio: £77.90. CSF: £77.40. Tricast: £408.15.

5.30 (6f 15yd) 1, Murajja (Pat Eddery, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Triple Tricks (9-1); 3, Nuremburg (3-1 jt-fav). 13 ran. NR: Crown Of Love. Sh hd, 4l. P Walwyn. Tote: £3.80; £1.40, £3.00, £2.30. DF: £33.80. CSF: £32.81.

Placepot: £124.80. Quadpot: £15.90.

NOTTINGHAM

THUNDERER

2.00 Made In Heaven. 2.30 Dashing Dancer. 3.00 Aquiletta. 3.30 Coast Along. 4.00 Look Daggers. 4.30 Shining High. 5.00 Binlaboon.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.00 KING OF SHOW.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.00 LOOK DAGGERS (nap).

GOING: SOFT DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.00 BUNNY RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £3,340: 6f 15yd) (6 runners)

1 (6) 6433 GLENISTA 8 M Channon 8-11 ... J Stack (5) 89
2 (5) 040 IZENNA 25 C Brittain 8-11 ... M Roberts 99
3 (4) 050 L'EGLISE BELLE 26 Mrs A King 8-11 ... N Carlisle 78
4 (3) 2332 MADE IN HEAVEN 17 (BF) J Hills 8-11 ... M Hills 98
5 (2) 040 RIVER SEINE 41 R Baker 8-11 ... M Wigham 86
6 (1) 645 WALHAANAH 24 M Jarvis 8-11 ... P Robinson 95

2-1 Izenna, 5-2 Made In Heaven, 3-1 Glenista, 5-1 Walhaanah, 12-1 River Seine, 16-1 L'Eglise Belle.

2.30 MAPPERLEY LIMITED STAKES
(£3,381: 6f 15yd) (24)

1 (16) 3615 ASHDREN 19 (D,G,S) A Harrison 7-9-3 ... J Stack (5) 82
2 (21) 0501 MU-ARRIK 18 (D,F,G) G Oldroyd 6-9-3 ... D Griffiths (5) 86
3 (3) 0020 PLUM FIRST 8 (B,D,F,S) N Bycroft 4-9-3 ... S Maloney 91
4 (7) 0100 HEART BROKEN 3 (B,D,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 4-9-1 ... J Fortune 77
5 (9) 4-00 CHOICE LOT 242 (F) C Nash 7-9-0 ... R Perham —
6 (23) 4042 FIRST GOLD 7 (D,F,S) J Wharton 5-9-0 ... K Darley 88
7 (19) 5-30 GENESIS FOUR 101 (B) A Potts 4-9-0 ... G Hind 63
8 (11) 4044 HARRY'S COMING 33 (CD,F,G,S) R Hodges 10-9-0 ... NON-RUNNER —
9 (10) 4500 NO QUARTER GIVEN 15 (C,D,F,G,S) P Felgate 9-9-0 ... M Roberts 81
10 (6) 0500 OBSIDIAN GREY 18 (D,F,G,S) Miss L Siddall 7-9-0 ... P McCabe (5) 80
11 (14) 5000 SUDDEN SPIN 69 (V,D,G) Mrs V Aconley 4-9-0 ... L Charnock 78
12 (2) 1021 DELMER 8 (D,F,G) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-12 ... K Fallon 99
13 (22) 0606 MAID WELCOME 87 (V,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 7-8-12 ... Amanda Sanders (7) 83
14 (15) 4100 SUPREME DESIRE 15 (F,G,S) G Oldroyd 6-8-12 ... S Webster 65
15 (20) 5100 SWINGING TICH 14 (D,G) B McMahon 5-8-12 J Weaver 70
16 (4) 0050 AT THE SAVOY 18 C Booth 3-8-11 ... M Birch 75
17 (18) 2405 DASHING DANCER 21 R Akehurst 3-8-11 ... G Carter 89
18 (12) 0003 OUELLO 5 M Blanshard 3-8-11 ... T Sprake 88
19 (1) 6046 PACIOLI 47 R Baker 3-8-11 ... M Wigham 70
20 (8) 3642 RED FIVE 5 D Moffatt 3-8-11 ... Darren Moffatt (5) 92
21 (5) 0000 RUB AL KHALI 8 D Laing 3-8-11 ... R Price 74
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□ Flemensfirth, ridden by Frankie Dettori, made an impressive debut in the opener at Nottingham yesterday. The John Gosden-trained colt is now likely to contest a listed race at Ascot on October 8.

Maiden century for Johnston

MARK Johnston, who took out a license to train seven years ago, completed his first century of winners in a season when Rose Chime won the Pinkie Claiming Stakes at Edinburgh yesterday.

Johnston missed the race, as he was travelling to the sales at Fairyhouse, but said: "Mister Baileys winning the 2,000 Guineas has been the highlight of the season so far, by a long way.

"It will be a hard act to follow next year with so many good horses gone — Mister Baileys and Branston Abby will be retired, while Quick Ransom is off to Australia."

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Determined Hendry offers unlucky rivals no sign of decline

Phil Yates finds the world No 1 intent on further domination during the forthcoming snooker season



Hendry: ambitious

Realism in sport can often be mistaken for arrogance, but *it is difficult to disagree with* Stephen Hendry when he says that he can dominate snooker for as long as his motivation and appetite for success remain.

Hendry, who won the Embassy world championship for a fourth time in May, has scaled every peak in the game, yet, when the Regal Scottish Masters gets under way in Motherwell today, it is fair to assume that nobody will want to capture the title more than he.

The traditional curtain-raiser to the season is, because of its location, of particular significance to Hendry. The 25-year-old Scot won the tournament in both 1989 and 1990, but has lost his opening match to unfancied *opponents for the last three years.*

Hendry places the event high on his list of priorities and it is no secret that a recent succession of early exits has been a source of considerable annoyance to him and something he *badly wants to redress.*

Lingering competitive cobwebs from the closed season have undoubtedly contributed to his lack of form at Motherwell, but there will be no such excuses this time as he has just returned from Thailand, where he beat Darren Morgan, Ken Doherty, James Wattana and Alan McManus to win the Top Rank Classic.

That was the 46th title of Hendry's nine-year professional career and a fiftieth tournament win *come next April at the end of the* 1994-95 campaign would seem a reasonable target for a player of his capabilities. However, that would mean Hendry needs to prevail in five events during the season, and that, *in his eyes,* would be disappointing.

"I want to win everything I play in and I think winning only four times, like I did last season, is a waste of my talent," Hendry said after he had beaten Jimmy White 18-17 in the world championship final. "There are *obviously a lot of good players* around, more than when Steve Davis was the man to beat in the Eighties, but I wouldn't practise for six hours every day if I didn't think that I could stay No 1. The most important thing *for me is titles.*"

The manner in which Hendry beat White, despite being handicapped by a painful broken bone in his left arm, must have generated a vast reserve of confidence that his leading rivals will find difficult to erode. Hendry is on a high and intends to stay there.

Ronnie O'Sullivan, who became the youngest winner of a ranking event when he beat Hendry in the final of the United Kingdom championship a week before celebrating his eighteenth birthday last December, is not yet consistent enough to challenge Hendry's supremacy. The same applies to Wattana.

White, now beaten in six world championship *finals,* may *have* trouble lifting himself from the recurring disappointment, while John Parrott, the victim of three inspired Hendry performances in the latter stages of tournaments last season, has a psychological barrier to dismantle.

That leaves Davis, who enjoyed a renaissance last season, earning more ranking points than anyone else, including Hendry. Displaying as much commitment and enthusiasm as ever, Davis won the Regal Welsh Open and the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters.

Yet, when the big question was asked in the semi-finals of the world championship, Davis collapsed to a *16-9 defeat against* Hendry. *It* remains to be seen whether those mental scars have healed. This week's Regal Masters will give the first indication.

Britons step up pressure on Jansher

FROM COLIN MCQUILLAN IN BARCELONA

THE success of Peter Marshall, of England, and Peter Nicol, of Scotland, in reaching the first all-British semi-final of a men's World Open squash *championship* at Barcelona over the weekend, and Marshall's subsequent thrust at Jansher Khan in the final, marks a long-awaited shift in the game's hierarchy.

Since the professional game was launched by such luminaries as Jonah Barrington, Geoff Hunt and Ken Hiscoe in the Seventies — and, more *specifically, since Hunt won* the first four World Open titles after 1975 — British players have simply helped to make up the increasing numbers behind the dominant Pakistan, Australia, and, briefly, New Zealand champions.

Marshall, from Nottingham, the extraordinary 23-year-old double-hander, was *ranked world No 3 before the* Barcelona event. Nicol, 21, left-handed and the purer squash player of the two, has risen from No 250 to No 7 on the world list in the course of two dazzling seasons since he left his home in Inverurie. Effectively, they are the world's No 2 and No 3-ranked players.

Together, they accounted for the brilliant Australian brothers, Brett and Rodney Martin, in the quarter-finals. Two weeks earlier, Nicol beat both Brett Martin and Rodney Eyles, the next-ranked Australian, on his way to the Hong Kong Open final. Between the two leading fixtures, Marshall defeated Jansher in a straight-games European club championship final in Paris.

Nevertheless, Jansher Khan, of Pakistan, still dominates the men's game. World champion, world No 1 and British Open champion is a list of achievement as comprehensive as possible in squash, and his 84-minute, 10-15, 15-11, 15-8, 15-5 response to Marshall's challenge in the Barcelona final on Sunday shows why he is so superior.

The young Englishman opened with an aggression uncharacteristic for one whose career has rested squarely upon controlled containment: "That first game was the best attack Marshall has made on me yet," Jansher acknowledged. "It shook me. Even at 2-1, I was worried that he might be ready to do it again."

Ready perhaps, but not yet able. After breaking through in the second game from 4-4 to 6-4 with two clinging forehand kills and to 11-8 with another such stroke of supremely effortless power, Jansher accelerated away in the third to a *fast 9-1 lead from which Mar*shall never truly recovered.

"It was frustrating," Marshall, to whom the 1-3 scoreline against Jansher is becoming all too familiar, said. "I was a little closer again, but when he started varying the pace and lifting the ball high around the court, he got away from me and I began to lose energy. *He was* still too good for me."

Thus the title went to Pakistan for the twelfth time, in which Jansher now holds equal shares with his illustrious predecessor, Jahangir Khan, but, just as Ross Norman chased Jahangir Khan relentlessly through three seasons to his first defeat in 5½ years in the 1986 World Open final, Marshall and Nicol have the look of young men settling to a chase they must eventually win.

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Marino gives Miami roadshow a perfect send-off

BY ROBERT KIRLEY

WITH his next three National Football League games scheduled away from the hospitable confines of the Joe Robbie stadium, Dan Marino said on Sunday that it was vital to start the trip undefeated.

Marino completed two touchdown passes and Terry Kirby rushed for 100 yards and a score to lead the Miami Dolphins to a 28-14 home win over the New York Jets. Miami defeated the Jets for only the second time in the past seven encounters as they improved their record to three victories in as many games.

The Jets, with two wins and one defeat, sustained their first setback under their first-year coach, Pete Carroll.

"That was a tremendous game for the Dolphins," Carroll said. "They did a great job running and throwing the football. We could not get started in the first half and the time of possession got out of hand. They just took control of the game."

Miami were certainly in charge in the first half, controlling the ball for 20min *18sec, compared with 9min* 42sec for New York. Marino completed 23 of 31 passes for 289 yards with one interception.

"I'm happy about the win," he said. "We're 3-0 and we go on the road for three weeks, so it was important to get out of here with a victory."

Marino completed an 11-*yard touchdown pass to Keith* Byars late in the second quarter to give the Dolphins a 14-0 lead at half-time. In the third quarter, Marino set up a 25-yard touchdown play that put the Dolphins ahead 21-7 and proved to be the winning score. Marino completed a 23-yard pass to Keith Jackson, who tossed the ball back to Irving Fryar at the New York two-yard line. Fryar ran in for a touchdown. Jackson caught six passes for 100 yards.

Boomer Esiason, of New York, was intercepted four times, two of which Miami converted into touchdowns. He completed 22 of 37 passes for 293 yards and two touchdowns.



Jeff George, the Atlanta Falcons quarterback, is sacked by Dan Saleaumua, of the Kansas City Chiefs, during the Chiefs' 30-10 victory

"We didn't execute today," Esiason said. He has thrown seven interceptions this season. "We just did not make it happen. Miami's running game did a good job of keeping us off the field." The Dolphins outgained New York 155 yards to 59 yards in rushing.

"It was a beautiful game, overall an excellent effort," the Dolphins coach, Don Shula, said. "After they dominated us the way they did last year. I am very happy for this football team."

After a scoreless first quarter, the Dolphins drove 70 yards in ten plays, capped by a one-yard touchdown run by Kirby early in the second quarter. Marino kept the drive alive with a ten-yard completion to Fryar on third-and-nine to the New York 19.

Later in the quarter, Byars's reception for a score with 36 seconds left capped a 69-yard, ten-play drive, which was set up by an Aubrey Beavers's interception at the *Miami 31.*

Kirby carried the ball 15 times and caught three passes for 35 yards. Byars had seven receptions for 73 yards but ran only five times for 18 yards.

"Byars had an excellent game," Shula said. "He did a super job of getting open."

The rookie running back, Richie Anderson, of the Jets, caught a 27-yard touchdown pass from Esiason 4min 18sec into the third quarter, but O. J. McDuffie returned the ensuing kick-off 31 yards to the Miami 40. Kirby ran 30 yards, setting up the Jackson-to-Fryar scoring play.

Miami increased their advantage to 28-7 midway through the fourth quarter by driving 42 yards in seven plays, finishing with in a five-yard touchdown run by Bernie Parmalee, his first in the league. The drive was set up by J. B. Brown's interception and 26-yard return. New York completed the scoring with a two-yard touchdown catch by Johnny Johnson.

RESULTS: Week three: Cleveland 32 Arizona 0; Buffalo 15 Houston 7, Philadelphia 13 Green Bay 7; Pittsburgh 31 Indianapolis 21; Minnesota 42 *Chicago 14; New England 31* Cincinnati 28, New Orleans 9 Tampa Bay 7; Miami 28, NY Jets 14; LA Raiders 48 Denver 16; San Diego 24 Seattle 10; San Francisco 34 LA Rams 19; NY Giants 31 Washington 23; Kansas City 30 Atlanta 10.

American Football Conference

East division	W	L	PF	PA
Miami	3	0	91	63
Buffalo	2	1	58	65
NY Jets	2	1	62	58
Indianapolis	1	2	76	76
New England	1	2	101	105
Central division				
Cleveland	2	1	70	37
Pittsburgh	2	1	57	57
Cincinnati	0	3	58	88
Houston	0	3	45	80
West division				
Kansas City	3	0	84	44
San Diego	3	0	68	54
Seattle	2	1	76	40
LA Raiders	1	2	71	98
Denver	0	3	72	110

National Football Conference

East division	W	L	PF	PA
NY Giants	3	0	79	63
Dallas*	2	0	45	26
Philadelphia	2	1	66	57
Washington	1	2	68	83
Arizona	0	3	29	66
Central division				
Minnesota	2	1	82	33
Detroit*	1	1	34	39
Chicago	1	2	57	81
Green Bay	1	2	37	47
Tampa Bay	1	2	40	40
West division				
San Francisco	2	1	95	67
Atlanta	1	2	69	74
LA Rams	1	2	45	77
New Orleans	1	2	50	75

* Game played last night not included.

FIXTURES: Week four; Sunday: Atlanta at Washington; Cleveland at Indianapolis; LA Rams at Kansas City; Miami at Minnesota; Tampa Bay at Green Bay; Cincinnati at Houston; New England at Detroit; New Orleans at San Francisco; Pittsburgh at Seattle; San Diego at LA Raiders; Chicago at NY Jets. Monday: Denver at Buffalo.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Saturday: Derby Bucks 94 (Siemon 22, Menfield 16, Belka 14) Thames Valley Tigers 117 (P Scantlebury 33, Bucknall 22, Henderson 21); Hemel Royals 52 (Eller 16, Koochol 10, Pringle 10) London Towers 67 (Moore 20, Henlan 30, Lewis 14); Leicester Riders 66 (Harris 20, Tresvant 16) Doncaster Panthers 89 (Joseph 22, Jones 21, *Fite 15); Sunderland Scorpions 72 (Saunders* 34, Nottage 16, Douglas 10) Sheffield Sharks 87 (Cauthorn 29, Huggins 25, Finch 14); Worthing Bears 95 (D Johnson 22, Hamed 21, Irish 18) Chester Jets 82 (Gardner 23, B Johnson 16, Crowe 13) Sunday: Birmingham Bullets 81 (Simms 23, Bale 15, Lloyd 13) Leicester Riders 51 (Harris 15, Tresvant 14); Chester Jets 86 (Gardner 30, Crowe 14, *Snead 12) Derby Bucks 87 (McKinney 18,* Maher 14, Siemon 13, Gardiner 13), Doncaster Panthers 65 (Fite 19, Jones 15, Joseph 15) Leopards 55 (Brown 17, Potti 11); London Towers 85 (Hubbard 19, Lewis 12, Whyte 12) Sunderland Scorpions 55 (Saipe 23, Douglas 12); Sheffield Sharks 67 (Huggins 19, Finch 10) Hemel Royals 48 (Koochol 22, Eller 15)

BOWLS

BROADSTAIRS: Open tournament: Men: Singles: Semi-finals: C Tingey (Margate) bt K Weyand (Margate) 21-4; D Briscoe (Broadstairs) bt D Haines (Birchington) 21-18. Final: Tingey bt Briscoe 21-18. Women: Singles: Semi-finals: M Webster (Thanet) bt J Stern (Northolt) 21-18; K Leeder (Goodmayes) bt G Roberts (Borough Green) 21-19. Final: Webster bt Leeder 21-16. Mixed pairs: Final: M Trench (Denham) and C Tingey (Margate) bt E Stern and J Stern (Northolt) 27-7

FOOTBALL

ARGENTINE LEAGUE: Ferro Carril Oeste 1 *San Lorenzo de Almagro 1; Gimnasia and* Esgrima 0 River Plate 0; Racing Club 0 Independiente 2; Argentinos Juniors 1 Belgrano 0, Rosario Central 2 Gimnasia Esgrima Jujuy 0; Velez Sarsfield 2 Newell's Old Boys 0, Talleres 1 Deportivo Espanol 1; Lanus 1 Banfield 0; Boca Juniors 1, Deportivo Mandiyu 1, Huracan 3 Platense 0

BELGIAN LEAGUE: Lommel 3 Seraing 1, Lierse 3 Beveren 1, RWD Molenbeek 1 RSC Charleroi 0; AA Ghent 2 Mechelen 0; FC Liège 1 Standard Liège 1, Cercle Bruges 0 Royal Antwerp 0; Alost 3 Anderlecht 6; Ostend 2 St *Trond 1; Germinal Ekeren 1 FC Bruges 1.*

BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: Group A: Bragantino 0 Flamengo 1; Criciuma 1 Gremio 0; Sport Recife 2 Corinthians 0 Group B: Atletico Mineiro 0 São Paulo 0; Botafogo 1 Portuguesa 0; Paysandu 3 Vitoria 1 Group C: Guarani 2 Vasco da Gama 1; Santos 4 Cruzeiro 1 Group D: Fluminense 2 Uniao São João 2; Internacional 1 Parana 3; Palmeiras 4 Nautico 1.

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Cobh Ramblers 0 Monaghan Utd 2; Derry City 1 Galway Utd 1; Sligo Rovers 0 Dundalk 1

FENCING

BRISTOL: Open tournament: Men: Foil: 1, K Beydoun (Sussex House), 2, D MacFarlane (Salle Paul); equal 3, P Walsh (Sussex House), equal 3, G Ablett (Sussex House)

CROQUET

SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP (O'Callaghan Cup): First round: Dr G S *Liddyard bt B Hallam -7, +15, +3; S N* Mulliner bt C Patmore +11, +22; D L Gaunt bt A K Gregory +26, +11; M Morzinski bt D W Shaw +26, +24stp; A Leggate bt K M H Alton +16, -26tp, +19; P Cordingley bt P L Smith +24tp, +25; D Goster bt R Brown -2, +23, +26, Dr G Fowler bt R Best -9, +8, +5. Quarter-finals: Mulliner bt Liddyard +26tp, +22, Gaunt bt Morzinski -26tp, +26tp, +17, *Cordingley bt Leggate -17tp, +5, +3; Goster* bt Fowler +10tp +21 Semi-finals: Mulliner bt Gaunt -26tp, -18, +4tp, +2, +26tp; Cordingley bt Goster -26tp, +26, +9tp, +23. Final: Mulliner bt Cordingely +26, +13tpo. -3tp, -13otp, +17stp.

CYCLING

ROAD *RACES*: Women's CRA (Pontefract, 48m): 1, A Plant (Lakes RC), 2hr 10min 0sec; 2, J Reames (Swaledale CC); 3, J Freeman (Easterley RC), all same time. Final overall *BCF Women's National series*: 1, Freeman, 42pts; 2, S Boyden (Swaledale CC), 29; 3, M Johnson (Rockingham Forest Wheelers), 28. Tour of the Wrekin (Bridgnorth, 59m): M Bell (New Brighton CC), 2:28:00.

TIME-TRIALS: North Middlesex and Hertfordshire CA (100m). 1, G Butler (RT Italia), 3:35:08; 2, I Cammish (Velo Viento), 3:38:15; 2, K Dawson (Optimum Performance RT), 3:42:31. Women: Y McGregor (Swaledale CC), 3:57:34. Teesside CA (100m). M Wright (Middridge CRT), 3:49:38. Team: Stockton Wheelers, 12:34:17. Ferryhill Wheelers (25m). S Tyson (North East RT), 52:01. Team: Border City Wheelers, 2:51:18. Bromsgrove Olympique CC (25m): R Prebble (Wembley RC), 52:38. Team: Stourbridge CC, 3:00:05. Doncaster Wheelers (25m). A Hornby (Dinnington RC), 53:39. Team: VC Chesterfield, 2:50:08. West Cheshire TTCA (25m): J Howard (Merseyside Wheelers), 53:49. Team: Mid-Shropshire Wheelers, 2:57:18. Redbridge CC (Essex, 25m): K Neary (Leo RC), 53:59. Lincoln Wheelers (25m): D Willetts (Birchfield CC), 54:56. Team: Axholme Wheelers, 2:54:05. Mid-Devon CC (25m) D Barnes (Team Zoyland), 55:23. Corinium CC (Chippenham, 25m): D Cross (Ashfield RC), 56:25. Team: Corinium CC, 3:02:21. Northamptonshire and District CA (25m): K Johnson (Oundle Velo), 57:05. Team: 45 RC, 3:04:32. Wigan Wheelers (25m): M Bowes (Cleveleys RC), 57:10. Team: Blackburn and District CTC, 2:59:50. Border CA (Hampshire, two-up 20m). D Cottington and J Pegg (Charlotteville CC), 42:45. Erskine CC (Scotland, 10m): I Spence (Carnoustie CC), 21:09. Team: Erskine CC, 1:07:30.

HILL CLIMB: Huddersfield RC (Holme Moss, 1m 500yd). S Green (Oldham Century RC), 6:22.6

CYCLO-CROSS: Calder Clarion (Wakefield, 12m): R Thackray (Bradford Olympic RC), 51:40. Norwich ABC (12m). B Paton (Octagon BC), 51:30. Viking Wheelers (Hanwell, West London, 14.5m) D Stewart (West Drayton MBC), 52:00.

GOLF

GAINESVILLE, Virginia: Presidents Cup: Singles: J Haas (US) bt M McNulty (Zim) 4 and 3; J Gallagher Jr (US) bt T Watanabe (Japan) 4 and 3; H Irwin (US) bt R Allenby (Aus) 1 hole; P Senior (Aus) bt J Huston (US) 3 and 2; J Maggert (US) bt B Hughes (Aus) 2 and 1, F Couples (US) bt N Price (Zim) 1 hole. P Mickelson (US) halved with F Allem (SA); T Lehman (US) halved with V Singh (Fiji); S Hoch (US) halved with D Frost (SA); L Roberts (US) halved with F Nobilo (NZ); D Love III (US) bt S Elkington (Aus) 1 hole; C Parry (Aus) bt C Pavin (US) 1 hole. Match score: United States 20, International Team 12.

ENDICOTT, New York: Men's tournament: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 268: M Sullivan 65, 67, 68, 68. 270: J Sluman 68, 67, 72. 272: M Hulbert 67, 67, 68, 70; B Claar 68, 68, 65, 71. 273: R Baiersdorf 69, 66, 68, 70. C Byrum 67, 69, 66, 71. 274: W Glasson 70, 65, 68, 71; P Gowdos 68, 68, 67, 71. B McCallister 67, 70, 65, 72.

KENT, Washington: Women's tournament: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 276: D Richard 71, 68, 70, 67. 277: T Green 72, 69, 69, 67; R Jones 70, 69, 70, 69; M Estill 68, 70, 69, 70; C Johnson 68, 71, 67, 71. 279: V Fergon 72, 68, 68, 71. 280: K Robbins 73, 68, 68, 71; J Inkster 71, 68, 69, 72. 281: V Goetze 71, 70, 73, 67. 282: P Sheehan 72, 71, 71, 68, D Andrews 72, 69, 71, 70; S Redman 71, 71, 67, 73. 283: B Burton 69, 71, 74, 69; L Neumann (Swe) 74, 71, 68, 70; E Crosby 72, 68, 68, 75. 284: H Alfredsson (Swe) 74, 72, 68, 70; S Steinhauer 74, 71, 67, 72. Other scores: 285: D Coe-Jones (Can) 70, 72, 72, 71; A Nicholas (GB) 70, 68, 68, 79. 287: B Bunkowsky (Can) 76, 71, 67, 73; G Graham (Can) 71, 70, 73, 73. 289: S Little (SA) 68, 76, 70, 75. 290: L Davies (GB) 77, 65, 73, 75. 291: H Kobayashi (Japan) 69, 72, 73, 77. 293: J Stephenson (Aus) 73, 74, 74, 72; L Walters (Can) 72, 74, 73, 74. 294: K Lunn (Aus) 72, 74, 73, 74. 295: C Pierce (GB) 71, 76, 73, 75; E Dahllof (Swe) 72, 73, 70, 76.

*LEXINGTON, Kentucky: Seniors' tour*nament: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 202: I Aoki (Japan) 69, 64, 69. 205: C C Rodriguez 71, 68, 66. 207: J Dent 69, 72, 66; G Brewer 68, 69, 70; J Kiefer 69, 67, 71. British score: 216: A Jacklin 72, 71, 73.

ICE HOCKEY

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Group A: Edinburgh 11 Paisley 3; Blackburn 5 Teesside 8; Group B: Durham 6 Trafford 2; Whitley Bay 10 Humberside 8. Group C: Sheffield 5 Milton Keynes 0; Peterborough 11 Romford 6. Group D: Bracknell 6 Cardiff 10; Medway 3 Slough 10.

PREMIER DIVISION: 5 Nottingham 9

FIRST DIVISION: Lee Valley 9 Dumfries 7.

AUTUMN TROPHY: Group A: Guildford 10: Chelmsford 9. Group B: Swindon 8 Solihull 5.

MOTOR SPORT

NAZARETH, Pennsylvania: Nazareth Speedway Bosch Grand Prix Indycar race (1m circuit): 1, P Tracy (Can, Penske-Ilmor V8-D), 200 laps; 2, A Unser Jr (US, Penske-Ilmor V8-D), 200 laps; 3, E Fittipaldi (Br, Penske-Ilmor V8-D), 200 laps; 4, *R Boesel (Br, Lola-*Ford Cosworth XB), 198 laps; 5, S Johansson (Swe, 1993 Penske-Ilmor V8-D), 195 laps; 6, T Fabi (It, Reynard-Ilmor V8-D), 194. British result: 22, Nigel Mansell, England (Lola-Ford Cosworth XB) 87. Championship standings: 1, Unser 225pts; 2, Fittipaldi 166; 3, Tracy 130; 4, Michael Andretti (US, Reynard-Ford Cosworth XB), 118; 5, R Gordon (US, Lola-*Ford Cosworth XB), 104; 6, Mansell 89.*

MOTOR RALLYING

PERTH: Australian Rally: Final positions: 1, C McRae (GB), Subaru Impreza, 5hr 13min 50sec; 2, J Kankkunen (Fin), Toyota Celica, 5:13:59; 3, K Eriksson (Swe), Mitsubishi *Lancer*, 5:17:40; 4, P Bourne (NZ), Subaru Impreza, 5:18:07; 5, R Burns (GB), Subaru Impreza, 5:20:59; 6, R Dunkerton (Aus), Mitsubishi Lancer, 5:38:55.

ROWING

INDIANAPOLIS: World championships: Finals: Men: Double sculls: 1, R Thorsen and L Bjonness (Nor) 6:08.33; 2 P Uhrig and C Haendle (Ger) 6:08.86; 3, Y Lamarque and S Barathay (Fr) 6:10.03. Lightweight coxless fours: 1, Denmark 5:53.77; 2, Australia 5:56.24; 3, Germany 5:57.07. Coxed pairs: 1, Croatia 6min 42.16sec (world record); 2 Italy 6:42.98; 3 Romania 6:46.99. Quadruple sculls: 1, Italy 5:37.68 (world record); 2, Ukraine 5:39.11; 3, Germany 5:39.71. Eights: 1, United States 5:24.50 (world record); 2, Holland 5:25.10; 3, Romania 5:27.08. Women: Double sculls: 1, *P Baker and B* Lawson (NZ) 6:45.30; 2, M McBean and K Heddle (Can) 6:46.17; 3, J Thieme and A Schuster (Ger) 6:47.16. Lightweight coxless fours. 1, United States 6:36.40; 2, Britain 6:37.26; 3, China 6:38.27. Quadruple sculls: 1, Germany 6:11.73 (world record), 2, China 6:15.74; 3, Ukraine 6:18.05 Eights: 1, Germany 6:07.42; 2, United States 6:08.24; 3, *Romania 6:08.55.*

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Second division: Glasgow 63 Exeter 33; Newcastle 48 Peterborough 48. Third division: Mildenhall 46 Buxton 9; Stoke 40 Berwick 37.

BROKSTEDT, Germany: World Team Cup: 1, Sweden 23pts; 2, Poland 20; 3, Denmark 17; 4, Australia 17; 5, United States 17; 6, England 16; 7, Germany 15.

TENNIS

BOGOTÁ: Men's tournament: Final: N Pereira (Ven) bt M Hadad (Col) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

BRIGHTON: LTA Tour: Finals (all GB): Men: P Martin bt D Ward 2-6, 6-4, 6-4. Women: C Hunt bt J Dawson 6-7, 6-4, 6-4.

EALING: LTA Summer Satellite Tour (GB unless stated): Men: First round: H Capell (Ger) bt R Ruppenthal (Ger) 6-3, 3-6, 6-0. Second round: N Gould bt H Koll (Nor) 6-2, 6-2; R Matheson bt M Pennonen (Swe) 6-0, 6-2; B Cowan bt C Beecher 6-3, 6-3.

POOLS FORECAST

Saturday September 24 *unless stated*

FA PREMIERSHIP
1 Blackburn v Aston Villa 1
2 Coventry v Southmptn X
3 C Palace v Chelsea 2
4 Everton v Leicester 2
5 Ipswich v Man Utd 2
6 Man City v Norwich 1
7 Newcastle v Liverpool X
8 QPR v Wimbledon 1
9 Tottenham v Nottm F 1
Not on coupons: Sheffield Wednesday v Leeds *(Mon)*. West Ham v Arsenal (Sun)

FIRST DIVISION
10 Bristol C v Middlesbro 2
11 Millwall v Luton X
12 Notts Co v Charlton 2
13 Oldham v Barnsley 1
14 Port Vale v Sheff Utd 1
15 Southend v Bolton 2
16 Swindon v Grimsby X
17 Tranmere v Sund'land X
18 Watford v Reading 2
19 West Brom v Burnley 1
Not on coupons: Derby v *Stoke (Sunday)*; Portsmouth v Wolves

SECOND DIVISION
20 Birmingham v Hull 1
21 Blackpool v Wrexham 1
22 Bournemouth v Cardiff 2
23 Bradford v Hudd'field 2
24 Brighton v Cambridge 1
25 Crewe v Brentford 1
26 Oxford v Leyton O 1
27 Peterboro v Rotherhm 1
28 Plymouth v Chester 1
29 Shrewsbury v Bristol R 2
30 Stockport v Wycombe X
31 Swansea v York 1

THIRD DIVISION
32 Bury v Chesterfield 1
33 Darl'gton v Colchester X
34 Doncaster v Preston 1
35 Fulham v Hereford X
36 Hartlepool v Lincoln 1
37 Mansfield v Exeter 2
38 Northampton v Carlisle 2
39 Scarboro v Rochdale X
40 Scunthorpe v Wigan 1
41 Torquay v Barnet 1
42 Walsall v Gillingham 1

VAUXHALL CONFERENCE
43 Macclesfld v Halifax 1
44 Stalybridge v Stafford X
45 Woking v Southport 1
46 Yeovil v Kettering 2

SCOTTISH PREMIER
47 Aberdeen v Rangers X
48 Celtic v Hibernian 1
49 Dundee U v Falkirk 2
50 Hearts v Kilmarnock 1
51 Partick v Motherwell 2

SCOTTISH FIRST
52 Airdrie v Clydebank 1
53 Ayr v Dundee 2
54 Dunf'mline v Stranraer 1
55 St Johnstn v Hamilton 1
56 St Mirren v Raith X

SCOTTISH SECOND
57 Dumbarton v Clyde X
58 East Fife v G Morton 1
Not on coupons: Meadowbank v Stirling; Queen of the South v Brechin; Stenhousemuir v Berwick.

SCOTTISH THIRD
Not on coupons: Albion v Cowdenbeath; Alloa v Caledonian, East Stirling v Forfar, *Montrose v Queen's* Park; Ross v Arbroath.

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Coventry, Newcastle, Millwall, Swindon, Tranmere, Stockport, Darlington, Scarborough, Stalybridge, Aberdeen, St Mirren, Dumbarton.

BEST DRAWS: Coventry, Millwall, Tranmere, Darlington, Aberdeen.

AWAYS: Chelsea, Charlton, Reading, Bristol Rovers, Carlisle

HOMES: Manchester City, Oldham, Brighton, Peterborough, Swansea, Doncaster, Hartlepool, Scunthorpe, Macclesfield, Celtic, Hearts, Dunfermline.

FIXED ODDS: Homes: Oldham, Brighton, Swansea, Scunthorpe, Macclesfield. *Aways:* Chelsea, Charlton, Carlisle. Draws: Coventry, Millwall, Tranmere

☐ Vince Wright

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated
** denotes all-ticket*

Coca-Cola Cup
Second round, first leg
Barnet v Manchester City (7.45)
Blackburn v Birmingham (7.45)
Bristol City v Notts County (7.45)
Carlisle v QPR
Chesterfield v Wolverhampton
Everton v Portsmouth (7.45)
Fulham v Stoke (7.45)
*Huddersfield v Southampton (7.45)
Lincoln v Crystal Palace (7.45)
Oxford Utd v Oldham (7.45)
Reading v Derby (7.45)
Scarborough v Middlesbrough
Stockport v Sheff Utd
Tranmere v Brentford
Walsall v West Ham (7.45)
Wimbledon v Torquay (7.45)
Wrexham v Coventry

Vauxhall Conference
Macclesfield v Southport (7.45)

Bob Lord Trophy
First round, first leg
Altrincham v Telford (7.45)
Halifax v Northwich (7.45)
Merthyr v Bromsgrove (7.45)

Scottish Coca-Cola Cup
Quarter-final
St Johnstone v Raith

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Burscough v Bacup Borough; Eastwood Hanley v Kidsgrove Athletic; Glossop North End v Chadderton, Newcastle Town v Bootle; Maine Road v Holker Old Boys; Prescot v Trafford, Skelmersdale Utd v St Helens Town.

INTERLINK EXPRESS MIDLAND FOOTBALL ALLIANCE: Stapenhall v Rushall O.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Barrow v Accrington Stanley; Buxton v Gainsborough; Chorley v Winsford; Colwyn Bay v Horwich; Frickley v Emley; Knowsley v Droylsden; Matlock v Boston Utd; Spennymoor v Whitley Bay; Witton v Morecambe. First division: Bamber Bridge v Fleetwood; Blyth Spartans v Harrogate Town; Eastwood Town v Alfreton Town; Gretna v Netherfield; Lancaster City v Workington; Radcliffe Borough v Curzon Ashton; *Warrington Town v Mossley.*

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Alan Lido v Aberystwyth; Barry Town v Ton Pentre; Connah's Quay v Newtown; Conwy v Llansantffraid; Flint Town v Holywell; Porthmadog v Bangor City; Rhyl v Mold.

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield United v Notts County (7.0). Second division: Burnley v Bradford (7.15); Grimsby *Town v Newcastle United (7.0)*; Oldham v York (7.0).

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division (7.0): Charlton v Watford; QPR v Arsenal.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Carlsberg Cup: First round: Premier and first division: Billericay Town v Barking; Boreham Wood v Wivenhoe Town, Chertsey Town v Newbury Town; Dorking v Dulwich Hamlet; Hitchin Town v Enfield; Maidenhead Utd v Tooting and Mitcham; Uxbridge v St Albans City; Walton and Hersham v Marlow; Whyteleafe v Basingstoke Town; Yeading v Wembley. Second and third divisions: Cheshunt v East Thurrock Utd; Hampton v Metropolitan Police; Hertford Town v Barton Rovers; *Horsham v Bracknell Town; Leighton Town* v Tring Town; Lewes v Banstead Athletic; Oxford City v Epsom and Ewell; Saffron Walden Tn v Collier Row; Southall v Clapton, Windsor and Eton v Camberley Town.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division; Armthorpe Welfare v Stocksbridge PS; Arnold Town v Brigg Town; Ashfield Utd v Maltby MW; Denaby Utd v Belper Town, Lincoln Utd v Liversedge; North Ferriby Utd v Hucknall Town; Ossett Town v Hallam; Pickering Town v Thackley; Pontefract Col v Glasshoughton Wel.

WINSTONLEAD KENT LEAGUE: First division: Folkestone Invicta v Greenwich *Borough; Herne Bay v Deal Town; Ramsgate* v Whitstable Town; Sheppey Utd v Kent Police; Slade Green v Beckenham Town; Thamesmead Town v Furness.

RUGBY UNION

Club match
Glamorgan Wndrs v Pontypool (7.15)

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: PGA European Tour School pre-qualifier (Manchester).
SNOOKER: Regal Masters (Motherwell).

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Colombians still overshadowed by World Cup failure



ROB HUGHES
Overseas View

Martin Keown, the Arsenal defender, must wonder what the future holds after his manager, George Graham, so eagerly attributed not one but two own goals to Keown in the game against Newcastle United on Sunday. But at least there is a future.

Nobody has had time to forget the fate of poor Andrés Escobar, the Colombian whose own goal against the United States during the World Cup in June was paid off with a hail of bullets into his body as he left a restaurant in Medellín after returning home. Last weekend, two brothers, Juan and Pedro Gallón Henoa, jailed since early July on charges of setting up the murder in retribution for heavy betting losses, were released by the prosecutor general. The officer now says there is insufficient evidence against them, though their release is conditional on a payment of about £1,200.

The Colombian affair wrangles on. Many of the team that lost to the United States, such a gifted group of individuals but so disparate and apparently indifferent to defeat on that day, have been threatened, abused and reviled. Faustino Asprilla, the lanky centre forward, escaped somewhat with his move back to Parma, the club leading *Serie A* in Italy. Indeed, Asprilla has gained a measure of personal revenge against the hapless American centre back, Alexi Lalas, scoring twice against his club, Padova.

But back in Medellín they still say Asprilla is a drunkard. They still accuse Fredy Rincón, now with Napoli, of lying down in the match. But when Rincón was recently in London he responded to the blunt question of what happened to Colombia that day with the enigmatic retort: "We were not players that day, we were brothers."

And so it goes on. Francisco Maturana, who resigned as coach to Colombia after the World Cup and who, along with one player in the side that day in California, received a faxed death threat, has now the dubious haven of working for Jesús Gil, the most fickle president in Spanish football, at Atlético Madrid. Maturana's team managed, at last, to arrest their run of defeats on Sunday, and the educated coach says what his players need now is "work on their mentality, to make them believe they are better".

The Latin Americans often play things to the extremes. Julio Cesar, the Brazilian sweeper who used elegance rather than brute force throughout his career, had seemed to have almost a charmed existence. For over a decade he had graced the field in Brazil, in France and, until this summer, in Italy, with Juventus. When Juventus proposed to sell him to Borussia Dortmund, he made little fuss about it but asked for an apparently strange get-out clause in the contract.

This clause was revealed last week when the player, for the first time in his worldly wanderings, was racially abused. Because he is black, he was refused entry to a disco in Dortmund, refused and in the same breath decried. He had seen it coming: the clause in the contract stipulated that if he met any racial intolerance he could leave.

He and the club are trying now to talk down the problem, and, to be fair, Borussia Dortmund were in the vanguard of a move last year to try to eradicate xenophobia and racism from the terraces and the seats in Germany.

But insults wound the Latin soul deeply. Ask Daniel Ergo, an Argentinian who last weekend was sent off after ending a half-time argument with a punch — delivered into the face of a team-mate with whom he differed over the performance of their side, Deportivo Español.

Things are obviously hotting up in Argentina. Racing Club finished their game with eight players, three of them, including the international striker, Claudio García, and the defender, Jorge Borelli, being sent off for bad tackles. All this on the weekend that Boca Juniors hired a fledgling new coach for their youth, one Diego Maradona.

Maradona's own coaching mentor had been Carlos Bilardo, the architect of the 1986 Argentina team, which deservedly won the World Cup, but also of the 1990 side that debased the game.

Those with an eye to history will recall that Bilardo learnt his own skills, and some devious gamesmanship, as a player of the infamous Estudiantes.

They bespoiled the so-called world club championship of 1968, against Manchester United, and the next year brawled with Milan, who succeeded Manchester United as European champions.

Estudiantes and other clubs from Argentina were deemed impossible to play friendly matches against. Why? There were broken limbs, smashed ideals and the ignominious revelations about the bullying tactics and skulduggery of the Estudiantes players.

Blissett, football and Fakenham Town

Russell Kempson discovers a former England striker sampling non-league life in rural Norfolk

GEOFF ROBINSON



A familiar face. Blissett looks on from the dugout after being injured playing for Fakenham earlier this season

Luther Blissett now appears for "The Ghosts", Fakenham Town, who occupy the grounds of Baron's Hall Lawn in north Norfolk. His presence is far from ethereal yet has caused a distinct stir in a community more noted for its agricultural excellence than Jewson League prowess. Humble surroundings for a forward once sold for £1 million, but he remains unashamedly motivated.

Blissett has played in front of the seething masses of the San Siro, when he spent a year in Italy with AC Milan. He has graced Wembley, when he marked the first of 14 England caps with a hat-trick in the 9-0 lashing of Luxembourg. He has experienced the tension of a League Cup semi-final and savoured the success of promotion when Watford were creating such sweet music under the guidance of Elton John and Graham Taylor.

Yet playing at Fakenham Town — more than 100 years old, Norfolk Senior Cup winners last season, average home attendance 150 — is not much different. Honestly. "There are 11 of you in one colour shirt and 11 in another," Blissett, who has scored five league goals in seven games this season, said. "That's all you really see when you're out on the pitch and that's the way I've approached games throughout my career. It's just the same now.

"When the whistle blows, you concentrate on your job. That's it, it's a job. When the ball goes out of play and you have a quick look and see only a few people scattered around, you might think to yourself 'Hmmm, this is a bit different'. That's it, though. Nothing else."

Financially, Italy and East Anglia are universes apart. When in Milan, for the 1983-84 *Serie A* season, Blissett earned £1,000 a week. Now, he is happy to accept £25 travelling expenses. No fuss, no "don't you know who I am" routine, no problems.

"Luther has brought a new enthusiasm to the club," Nolan Keeley, the Fakenham manager, said. "I wish all my players were like him. He still has a great love for the game and has already helped to raise the standard here. You get good and bad former professionals and Luther is definitely one of the good ones."

Blissett's stay may be brief, though. A nomadic existence last season — Bury, Mansfield Town, Southport, Derry City and Wimborne Town — has hastened an urge to settle. He is playing in Fakenham — a rural market town, population 8,000 — because of his friendship with Tony Fisher, the club chairman and a regular golf partner. Yet, if the chance arises to return to the Football League — as a player-coach, player-manager or whatever — he will grasp it.

He has a full Football Association coaching badge, has made the shortlists at various clubs and was interviewed for the recently vacant manager's job at AFC Bournemouth, but, again, drew a blank. Mel Machin got it.

> 'If the chance arises to return to the League, *he will grasp it*'

"Sure, you get frustrated," Blissett, 36, said, "but it lasts only a few days. I've still got my businesses to look after and that helps take your mind off other things." He owns a sports shop in Bournemouth and runs a promotions company in Watford, where he lives.

Disappointments have been few during his 21 seasons in the paid ranks and are recalled more with amusement than dismay: "Perhaps I should have given it another year in Italy," he said. "I had a chance to go on to Torino, but decided to come back." He scored five goals in 30 games for Milan and rejoined Watford for £500,000 — half the fee he left for.

His final match for England — a 2-0 defeat against the Soviet Union at Wembley in 1984 — also raises a chuckle. "Bobby Robson [the then manager] told me I'd done well ... and never picked me again," he said. "God knows what he thought about the other guys."

In the meantime, second-placed Fakenham take on mid-table Watton at Baron's Hall Lawn tonight. Nobody knows how Fakenham acquired their ghostly nickname, and some still question why Blissett wants to play for them, but the player in the No 10 shirt is no apparition. It is no self-indulgent gimmick, either: "It's just great to be involved again," he said.



Blissett in his playing heyday, leading England's attack at Wembley in one of his 14 internationals

Walker still waiting for Southall's version

EVERTON tackle Portsmouth in the second round, first leg of the Coca-Cola Cup at Goodison Park tonight looking for their first win of the season and with manager Mike Walker investigating allegations that Neville Southall made obscene gestures to supporters in the weekend draw with Queens Park Rangers.

"If I had seen the incident myself, I might have well taken action already, but as it is I will ask for Neville's version first," Walker said.

"I cannot comment until I have spoken to Neville, but if he was responsible, I will be disappointed. Nobody likes to get stick, but you have to be professional."

Southall has come under pressure from supporters in recent games but Walker added: "At the moment, I have no plans to get a goalkeeper."

Kenny Dalglish, the Blackburn manager, is expected to make one change from the team that won at Chelsea on Sunday for the tie with Birmingham at Ewood Park. Jason Wilcox returns from suspension to replace Mark Atkins. Birmingham will show, at least, four changes from the team that beat Peterborough 4-0 on Sunday. Gary Bull and Brian Small, who are both on loan, are ruled out because Nottingham Forest and Aston Villa respectively do not want them cup-tied. Jonathan Hunt and Gary Poole are ineligible, having already played in the competition.

Middlesbrough, beaten for the first time this season at Port Vale on Saturday, are again without their player-manager, Bryan Robson, for the short trip to Scarborough.

Scott joins Towers for crucial fixture

BY NICHOLAS HARLING

KEVIN Cadle may be dissatisfied with his new club's form, but victories in their first two games have enabled his London Towers to set up the first important game in the Budweiser League season.

Towers receive the champions, Thames Valley Tigers, at Wembley on Thursday in a fixture that may influence the positions at the end of the season. With his squad yet to gel, which is hardly surprising seeing that it includes two new Americans and several unfamiliar Englishmen, Cadle believes that the addition of one further newcomer, Kenny Scott, the 6ft 9in Englishman, is unlikely to increase the lack of rapport among his players.

Scott, who has been playing for Poissy in the French second division, watched Towers beat Hemel Hempstead Royals 67-52 on Saturday and saw their 85-55 home victory over Sunderland on Sunday. He should receive his international clearance in time for the game on Thursday.

Towers were helped in their second game by an injury that restricted Russ Saunders to eight points. The normally prolific American scored 34 points the previous night in Sunderland's 87-72 defeat at newly promoted Sheffield Sharks.

Their Yorkshire rivals, Doncaster Panthers, were responsible for the inglorious baptism in the Budweiser League of Harvey Goldsmith's Leopards. The club, which has yet to receive clearance for its Americans, Henri Abrams and Robert Youngblood, lost 65-55.

Cup place eludes struggling Lopez

BY PATRICIA DAVIES

NO NANCY Lopez. That is the sad omission from the line-up that will represent the United States in the Solheim Cup match against Europe at The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, from October 21-23.

Lopez, still the most widely recognised name in women's golf, has struggled for form this year and, in the end, JoAnne Carner, the US captain, gave her one wild card to Kelly Robbins, 24, from Michigan.

"Kelly has played good, steady golf the last couple of years," Carner said. "She's won three times and she's a long-ball hitter and I took that into consideration because The Greenbrier is long and tight.

"I was waiting to see if Nancy Lopez would come out of her slump but she never gave any indication that she could be playing well by the Solheim Cup."

It was, in essence, a non-contentious choice, for Robbins, not quite in the Laura Davies class for distance but quite long enough, was tenth on the Solheim Cup points list — the top nine were chosen automatically.

Michelle McGann, next on the list, automatically became the travelling reserve, an abhorrent position made necessary by the crass decision, American-inspired, to play all ten team members in each series, not just the singles. So much for allowing for strategy, loss of form, even strength of character.



Lopez: loss of form

The Americans believe the new system will suit them, and their strength in depth is demonstrated by the fact that nine of their team, Beth Daniel, Dottie Mochrie, Donna Andrews, Tammie Green, Sherri Steinhauer, Robbins, Meg Mallon, Patty Sheehan and Betsy King, are in the top 11 on the US money-list.

The exception is Brandie Burton, at 22 perhaps the most talented of the lot but also worryingly injury prone, who was languishing in thirtieth spot.

Burton, King, Sheehan, Daniel, Mallon and Mochrie all suffered during the unexpected defeat at Dalmahoy two years ago and they will undoubtedly impress on the four debutantes the hideousness of that loss.

The United States must be favourites to win but a welcome bit of European form was forthcoming at the Safeco Classic, in Seattle, last week.

Annika Sorenstam, the young Swede, led after three rounds, a shot ahead of Alison Nicholas, of England, among others. Sorenstam tied for sixth on Sunday, after a round of 74, with Nicholas slipping to twentieth after a 79. Deb Richard won.

Davies shared 42nd place on a course that did not suit her. She was out of bounds too often but remains top of the money-list, with $631,910 (about £420,000), just over $80,000 ahead of Daniel, with three events to go.

UNITED STATES TEAM: E King, D Andrews, D Mochrie, P Sheehan, T Green, E Daniel, B Burton, S Steinhauer, M Mallon, K Robbins.

Scully and Coyote set fierce early pace

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

DAVID Scully, of the United States, and his yacht, *Coyote*, led the BOC Challenge solo round-the-world race last night after setting a blistering pace since leaving Charleston, South Carolina, at the start of the 27,000-mile race on Saturday.

His Roger Martin-designed 60-footer was speeding along at 11 knots, a full knot more than his closest rival, Steve Pettengill, also of the United States, sailing *Hunter's Child*. However, with just 33 miles separating first from fifth within the 18-strong fleet — little more than two hours' sailing time in the fast-reaching conditions encountered so far — any breakages would transform the race order.

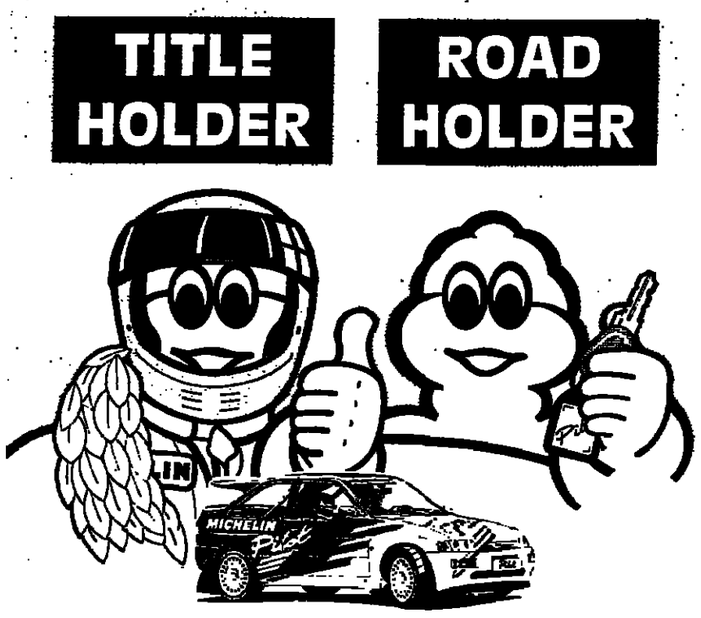
Mark Gatehouse, whose eight-year-old design, *Queen Anne's Battery Marina*, leads the British challenge in sixth place, complained yesterday: "These new boats are rocket ships. With apparently no effort, they just ease along about ten per cent faster than us 'cruising boats'."

However, Gatehouse's yacht, which is now equipped with a large mizzen rig since winning this race under Philippe Jeantot's guidance, is proving no slouch either. In idyllic surfing conditions, *Queen Anne's Battery* has topped 17 knots and maintained a 13-knot average during much of Sunday, which was enough to open a 25-mile advantage over Josh Hall's *Gartmore Investment Managers*.

In class two, David Adams and his Australian 50-footer, *True Blue*, is proving the boat to beat. Adams has opened a 31-mile lead over Alan Nabauer's *Newcastle Australia*.

Simone Bianchetti, of Italy, sailing *Town of Cervia*, is one of several competitors suffering difficulties. Auto-pilot problems forced him to return to Charleston within six hours of the start and he was still firmly tied up to the dock yesterday making repairs to his steering and chasing a leak that had developed in his boat.

LEADING POSITIONS (at noon yesterday, with miles to Cape Town): Class One: 1, Coyote (D Scully, US), 6,314 miles; 2, Hunter's Child (S Pettengill, US), 6,325; 3, Ecureuil Poitou-Charentes II (I Autisser, Fr), 6,336; 4, Vendee Enterprises (J van den Heede, Fr), 6,341; 5, Sceta Calberson (C Auguin, Fr), 6,343; 6, Queen Anne's Battery Marina (M Gatehouse, GB), 6,379; 7, Gartmore Investment Managers (J Hall, GB), 6,404; 8, Bon Vie (J Provoyeur, SA), 6,414; 9, Thursday's Child (A Taylor, US), 6,487. Class Two: 1, True Blue (D Adams, Aus), 6,386; 2, Newcastle Australia (A Nebauer, Aus), 6,429; 3, Jimroda II (N Vaughan, GB), 6,436; 4, Kodak (G Soldini, It), 6,446; 5, Shusen-Dohi II (M Saito, Japan), 6,464; 6, Sky Catcher (N Rowe, GB), 6,469; 7, Cornwall (R Davie, GB), 6,526; 8, Protect Our Seals (N Peterson, SA), 6,529; 9, Henry Hornblower (H Mitchell, GB), 6,536.



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Spirit of adventure brings RFU encouragement in attempt to stage 1999 World Cup

Bold England embark on final approach

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND, who yesterday confirmed their interest in staging — or in helping to stage — the 1999 World Cup, may not win the 1995 tournament, but Rugby Football Union (RFU) officials have been encouraged by the approach they have seen in the first fortnight of league rugby this season.

The England management has constantly emphasised that five-nations rugby will not win in South Africa next year. However, in ten first-division matches this month, 49 tries have been scored, as opposed to 31 at the same stage last season, which provides backing for Don Rutherford's advocacy of a "wider" game.

Rutherford, the RFU technical director, seeks a commitment from players to a more adventurous approach. "We could consider a different scoring/points system to the divisional championship, even if it means creating a slightly artifical situation," Rutherford said yesterday. "If we don't take a lead, it won't happen in club matches.

"The game has to be freed up. If players have the right attitude of mind, you can play a wider game without losing your way. We have the players with the skills to do it but they have to let their brains go a bit loose and see that playing positively isn't only enjoyable but can be successful."

Rutherford also underlined the need to improve playing surfaces. International players enjoy performing on fast, football-style surfaces — the kind on which French players regularly perform — while the climate gives Australians and South Africans consistently firm conditions. Of national stadiums among the five nations, only Murrayfield and Parc des Princes receive general approval and if Twickenham is to have a surface to match its changing surrounds, the RFU may have to change its approach to lawnmowers.

"The pitches on which our first-division clubs play are inadequate," Rutherford said. "The RFU should, as a matter of urgency, consider ways of upgrading pitches and providing proper training facilities, perhaps on the Leicester model."

However, the RFU is pressing ahead with new technology to improve refereeing. In the new year, officials in first-division matches will be given a radio link with their senior touch judge, primarily to deal with offside in midfield, another bar to free-flowing football. "The aim is to improve the quality of decision-making, not to do the referee's job for him," Steve Griffiths, the RFU referees development officer, said.

Moreover, the bright start to the league season will encourage attendances at Twickenham in the main representative games there before Christmas. Only 2,000 Romanians may have turned up to watch their team lose to Wales in Bucharest last Saturday, but already 22,000 tickets have gone for England's international with Romania on November 12 and a crowd of 40,000 is expected in a stadium which, even with the West Stand accommodation limited, will take 58,000 this season.

The international match on December 10 with Canada is assured of a 31,000 crowd and, perversely, the University match four days earlier has sold 40,000 tickets and will probably be a sell-out. When Twickenham's redevelopment is complete, the stadium will hold 75,000, and the RFU's interest in staging the 1999 World Cup final (even though it hosted that of 1991) will be hard to argue against.

RADIO

A splendid narration

England, Their England. *Radio 2, 7.00pm.*

On some matters, Radio 2 and I think alike. We take a middle-brow stand on the arts in general, and we evidently feel the same about how to set about making a radio serial of A.G. MacDonell's peerless satirical novel about the quintessence of Englishness. You don't do anything until you have picked your narrator because he will set the tone for the whole glorious — or inglorious — enterprise. Tonight, then, is hats-in-the-air time; Radio 2 chose Leslie Phillips. Nobody can touch him for civilised self-mockery. I forecast that he will be even more splendid when the famous cricket match is reached. I cannot fault Bob Sinfield's adaptation.

Took's Tours to Gloucester. *Radio 4(FM) 10.00am.*

This is *Down Your Way* in all but name. It even has a couple of musical interludes. One is a mighty burst of what sounds like Purcell, by the choir and organ of Gloucester cathedral. The other musical contribution is far less mighty. On a crackly old record, the humorous broadcaster Barry Took can be heard blowing a mean trumpet in an RAF band before he began his National Service proper, as a humble clerk in the records office. I say proper, but he was guilty, of something most improper during those far-off days in the RAF. The winter of 1947 was a bitter one. Taking literally the RAF's order to "carry on, and keep warm", he and others chopped up the parade-ground flagpole and used it for firewood.

Peter Davalle

Confident Lewis eager to silence detractors

BY SRIKUMAR SEN
BOXING CORRESPONDENT

NEVER judge a boxer by sparring, the saying goes. Especially close to the big day. The experts are right, of course. Sugar Ray Leonard looked absolutely terrible a couple of days before he met Marvin Hagler. But it has to be said that Lennox Lewis looked in excellent shape, physically and mentally, in four rounds of sparring yesterday at the Peacock Gym, Silvertown, east London.

If the sparring with Garing Lane, a heavyweight from Boston, is anything to go by, Lewis should put on a show against Oliver McCall at Wembley Arena early on Sunday that should silence his critics on both sides of the Atlantic.

It was not difficult to see high-class boxing under the pit-a-pat workout. Lewis's jab was sharp, anticipation excellent, footwork light and he went through a wide repertoire of punches as he drew the sparring partner onto his blows. Some of the potential that his training team has been claiming is hidden in the 6ft 5in, 16st body could well be revealed on the night.

Lewis, who was having his first public workout in England after six weeks' intensive training in the Catskills, in New York state, where he completed more than 100 rounds of sparring, said: "Americans [critics] will always give me a hard time till there are no more Americans to beat. My priority has always been to overcome whatever problems are put in front of me."

It was clear he had a plan ready for McCall, putting the finishing touches to his preparations by training in the early hours of the morning because the contest goes on at 1.20am.

"The rushing technique is definitely one of McCall's strong points," Lewis said. "He does it in all his fights. So I'm going to put on my special anti-rushing boxing style."

Lewis's manager, Frank Maloney, added: "Lennox is going to show an arsenal of punches that people don't expect. They're going to be surprised at what's going to come out of Lennox Lewis. His mental condition this time is excellent. He's got to be tuned into McCall because he is a stepping-stone to bigger things. If he stumbles now, the Americans will say we told you so.

"He's more tuned in to this fight mentally than he has been into any other fight. This is the most important fight of his career. He has been watching the tapes of McCall. We watched them for two hours. You haven't seen the best of Lennox Lewis. He is like Newcastle United. He's going to get better and better. He's a sleeping genius."

Lewis's assistant trainer, Harold Knight, said: "He's in the best shape of his career. He's worked harder than ever before because he knows McCall is a rough and tough guy. Since I've been with Lennox, he's never been better."

Back at the McCall camp at Henlow Grange health farm in Bedfordshire, the challenger is also focusing on the task in hand. So much so that he had no time to talk to journalists and cancelled an invitation to come to a workout. We might learn more from McCall's chief trainer, Emmanuel Steward, at a press conference today.

ALAN WELLER



Lewis treated observers to a high-class sparring display during a public workout in east London yesterday

Clubs put forward simpler set of rules on imports

BY NORMAN DE MESQUITA

BRITISH ice hockey seems to be coming to its senses at last. At the inaugural meeting of the joint management committee, on which all 26 senior clubs are represented, a recommendation was put to the British Ice Hockey Association for a simpler definition of what constitutes an imported player and a reduction in their number.

At present, the regulations are complicated and each club is allowed up to five of various types. The suggestion is that there should be a limit of three for each club with, in addition, one foreign-born player who has been here more than five years and holds a British passport. If a club decides to sign more than one of the latter, then the import allowance should be reduced accordingly.

It must be seen as a forward-looking move that will have two effects: it will give more opportunities to home-bred players and will reduce expenditure, which is essential for so many clubs struggling to keep up with their wealthier opponents.

Imports are essential, but it is vital that the sport does not follow the example of the 1950s, when the richer clubs subsidised the poorer ones, enabling them to continue to import expensive Canadians; a policy that eventually killed British ice hockey.

One import who has been a credit to the sport since he arrived from Canada in 1988 is Paul Adey. Playing his 301st game for Nottingham Panthers on Saturday, he scored his 1,000th point and the game was halted midway through the second period for a presentation.

Adey helped the Panthers to their fourth win in five Benson and Hedges Cup games and they seem likely to accompany Sheffield Steelers from group C into the quarter-finals.

The Steelers had a remarkable weekend, scoring 18 goals in their two games, against Romford Raiders and Milton Keynes Kings, without conceding any.

Slough Jets continued to prosper and could edge out Cardiff Devils in group D. The crunch comes next weekend, with the Jets at home to Basingstoke on Saturday and at Cardiff on Sunday.

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. 6.00am Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show 6.30 Steve Wright in the Morning 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Emma Freud, incl at 12.30pm Newsbeat 2.00 Mark Goodier, incl at 3.45 The Adventures of Superman with Stuart Milligan, William Hootkins and Lorelei King 4.00 Nicky Campbell with Drivetime, incl at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeat 7.00 Evening Session 9.00 The Story of Pop, presented by Alan Freeman 10.00 Mark Radcliffe in the City: featuring live performances from some of the best bands at the convention 12.00-4.00am Lynn Parsons with the Erogenous Zone

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 6.00am Martin Kelner with the Early Show 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Jimmy Young 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.30 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 England, Their England: See Choice 7.30 London Calling: Continuing Jimmy Perry's four-part comedy 8.00 Hayes over Britain: Call 071-306 0222 9.00 Carlene Anglim: The Young Tradition Award. A masterclass with Irish fiddler, Frankie Gavin 10.00 Calypso Chronicles: Cy Grant traces the history of the genre 10.30 The Jamesons 12.05am Patrick Lunt 3.00 Steve Madden

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports, incl at 5.45 Wake Up to Money 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, incl at 6.55 and 7.55 Live Racing Preview 8.35 The Magazine, incl at 10.35 Europe News, and at 11.15 Dirty News 12.00 Midday with Mair, incl at 12.34pm Moneycheck 2.05 Buscoe on Five 4.00 John Inverdale Nationwide 7.00 News Extra, incl at 7.20 the day's sport 7.35 The Tuesday Match: Coverage of matches in the Coca-Cola Cup 10.05 News Talk 11.00 Night Extra, incl at 11.45 The Financial World Tonight 12.05am After Hours 2.00 Up All Night

WORLD SERVICE

News on the hour. Times in BST. 4.30am BBC English 4.45 Fruhmagazin 6.03 Morgenmagazin 6.27 News in German 6.30 Europe Today 7.15 Today 7.30 Rock Salad 8.15 Off the Shelf: *The Real Life of Sebastian Knight* 8.30 New Ideas 8.50 Woman at the Top 9.10 Words of Faith 9.15 Concert Hall 10.05 Business Report 10.15 Women's Magazines Worldwide 10.30 On Screen 10.45 Sport 11.01 Discovery 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.30pm Megamix 1.10 Words of Faith 1.15 Multitrack 1.45 Sport 3.05 Outlook 3.30 Off the Shelf 3.45 March of the Women 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German 4.35 Heute Aktuell 5.15 BBC English 6.05 Business Report 6.15 Today 6.30 News and Features in German 8.05 Outlook 8.30 Europe 9.10 Words of Faith 9.15 Today 9.30 Meridian 10.00 Newshour 11.05 Business Report 11.15 Megamix 11.45 Sport 12.30am Omnibus 1.15 Concert Hall 2.05 Outlook 2.30 Poems by Post 2.45 Country Style 3.30 Andy Kershaw's World of Music

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey 9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00 Susannah Simons 2.00pm Lunchtime Concerto: Mieskovsky (Cello Concerto in C minor; Julian Lloyd Webber, cello, with London Symphony Orchestra under Maxim Shostakovich) 3.00 Jamie Crick 6.00 Classic Reports 7.00 The Opera Guide 8.00 Evening Concert: Haydn (String Quartet in G minor); Chopin (Nocturnes, No 2 in E flat, Op 55; No 2 in G, Op 37; No 1 in B flat, Op 9); Brahms (Piano Quintet in F minor, Op 34) 10.00 Jane Markham 1.00-6.00am André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono 9.00 Richard Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00 Wendy Lloyd 7.00 Nick Abbot 10.00 N.J. Williams 2.00-6.00am Paul Coyte

RADIO 3

6.30am **Open University:** The Political Imagery of Queen Elizabeth I 6.55 Weather
7.00 **On Air:** Couperin (Les Gouts-réunis); Britten (Four Sea Interludes); Liszt (Transcendental Study No 10 in F minor Wilde Jagd); Grieg (Concert Overture, In Autumn, Op 11); Tavener (Lamentation, Last Prayer and Exaltation); Mozart (Symphony No 41 in C, Jupiter)
9.00 **Composer of the Week: Walton.** Royal Philharmonic Orchestra under André Previn, performs Crown Imperial; Finzi Singers under Paul Spicer play Set Me as a Seal upon Thine Heart; Yvonne Kenny, soprano, and Malcolm Martineau, piano, perform Three Songs on Poems ; LSO under André Previn plays Symphony No 1
10.10 **Musical Encounters,** five from Belfast with Stephanie Hughes: Gershwin (Overture: Strike Up the Band); Michael Torke (the Yellow Pages); Sibelius (Pelléas et Mélisande); *Artist of the Week:* Joan Sutherland; Bellini (Casta Diva, Norma); 10.45 Percy Grainger (Fantasy on Porgy and Bess for two pianos); Bellini (Ah! non credea mirati ... Ah! non giunge, La Sonnambula); Sibelius (Symphony No 6)
12.00 **Music Restored:** Musicians of the Globe under Philip Pickett perform Elizabethan and Jacobean music by Gibbons, Dowland, Johnson and Nicholson
1.00pm **National Youth Brass Band of Great Britain** performs John McCabe (Northern Lights); Philip Wilby (Lowry Sketchbook); Bramwell Tovey (Coventry Variations); Philip Wilby (Dance before the Lord; NYBB commission, first performance)
2.00 **Proms Plus:** Playtime 2.15 Time to Move 2.35 Listen!
3.00 **The BBC Orchestras:** BBC National Orchestra of Wales performs Mendelssohn (Overture, Ruy Blas, Op 95); Mozart (Violin Concerto No 5 in A, K219); Brahms (Symphony No 4 in E minor)
4.25 **Aitken:** Hamish Milne, piano, plays (Symphony, Op 39)
5.00 **The Music Machine:** Professor Basil Deane tells why he feels the interval of a third holds a special place in music
5.15 **In Tune,** with Mairi Nicholson
7.30 **Beethoven at Edinburgh:** *The LPO under Andras Schiff* plays Overture, Egmont; Piano Concerto No 1 in C; Piano Concerto No 5 in E flat, Emperor
9.10 **The Meeting:** Israel Zamir questions his father's belief in demons and ghosts
9.30 **Songs without Voices:** A concert by the Nash Ensemble, featuring the première of Simon Holt (all fall down); Oliver Knussen (Songs without Voices); Olivier Messiaen (Quartet for the End of Time)
10.45 **Night Waves:** Late night arts programme
11.30-12.30am **The BBC Orchestras:** BBC Philharmonic under Matthias Bamert performs Tchaikovsky (Symphonic Ballad, The Voyevode, Op 78; Symphony No 6 in B minor, Pathétique)

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 J.B. Priestley Season: English Journey 8.58 Weather
9.00 **News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580 4444**
10.00-10.30 **Took's Tour to Gloucester** (FM only): See Choice
10.00 **News; Daily Service** (LW only)
10.15 **Paradise Lost** (LW only): Part 12 of John Milton's poem
10.30 **Woman's Hour:** Jenni Murray talks to young soprano Amanda Roocroft
11.30 **All in the Mind:** Professor Anthony Clare explores faith healing
12.00pm: **News; You and Yours,** with John Howard
12.25 **Word of Mouth:** Stephen Fry dissects the language of comedy; plus the quest to find Britain's wittiest person 12.55 Weather
1.00 **The World at One**
1.40 **The Archers** (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 **News; Thirty Minute Theatre: Second Fiddle,** by Diana Griffiths. When the violinist of an all-male string quartet disappears the rest of the members face a problem when the only replacement is a woman
2.30 **Richard Baker Compares Notes:** Pianists Penelope Thwaites and John Lavender talk to Richard Baker about the music of Percy Grainger
3.00 **News; Anderson Country**
4.00 **News 4.05 Kaleidoscope** at **Ronnie's:** Paul Vaughan live at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club, and special guest Cleo Laine, reflect on the club's distinguished history
4.45 **Short Story:** Chocolate, Blood and Grass by Alison Joseph. Read by Kathryn Hunt
5.00 **PM 5.56** Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
6.00 **Six O'Clock News**
6.30 **The Older Woman:** Final episode of Tony Bagley's comedy drama that mixes fantasy with reality. Starring Martin Clunes, Geraldine James and Nicky Henson
7.00 **News 7.05 The Archers**
7.20 **Pile on 4:** Important issues at home and abroad
8.00 **Science Now,** presented by Peter Evans
8.30 **Howling at the Moon:** Mark Radcliffe investigates the cult of the werewolf (r)
9.00 **In Touch:** Magazine for people with a visual handicap
9.30 **Kaleidoscope** (r) 9.59 Weather
10.00 **The World Tonight,** with Robin Lustig and Janet Cohen
10.45 **Book at Bedtime:** The Stone Diaries, by Carol Shields. Read by Shelley Thompson
11.00 **Medium wave:** The week's events in the media
11.30 **The Heritage Quiz:** Sue MacGregor with panelists Christopher Cook, Philippa Gregory, Maxwell Hutchinson and George Smith at Broughton House, Northamptonshire (r)
12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43 As World Service (LW only)

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McRae holds nerve to deny Kankkunen

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

COLIN McRae, of Scotland, held his nerve to win the Australian Rally, which finished in Perth yesterday, after withstanding a late charge by Juha Kankkunen, of Finland, the world champion.

McRae, driving a Subaru Impreza, was never headed after the second of the 30 special stages and completed the 1,840km race nine seconds ahead of Kankkunen in a time of 5hr 13min 50sec.

Leading by 23 seconds overnight, McRae, 26, refused to yield as his more experienced rival whittled away his advantage during the final five stages.

Kankkunen, who used the rally to test-drive his new Toyota Celica for the first time in competition, finished more than three minutes clear of third-placed Kenneth Eriksson, of Sweden, in a Mitsubishi. Richard Burns, of Britain, was fifth in another Subaru Impreza. The rally, which began on Friday, was dropped as a points event from the world championship this year because of postwar turing. It will return to the circuit next year.

Although McRae earned no world championship points for his victory, it did boost the Scot's challenge for the Asia-Pacific title. He also won the Rally of New Zealand earlier in the season and the Australian Rally was the fourth round of the six-race championship.

Eriksson heads the Asia-Pacific race with 54 points, nine clear of Peter Bourne, of New Zealand, who finished fourth in Perth. McRae is third, a further five points adrift.

Didier Auriol, of France, who leads the world drivers' championship, opted not to compete in Australia. After eight rounds, Auriol, on 90 points, leads the Spaniard, Carlos Sainz, another absentee in Australia, by six points, with Kankkunen a further ten points adrift.

There are only two world championship events left, the next being the 1,000 Lakes Rally in Finland later this month.

Britain steer Olympic course

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL IN INDIANAPOLIS

GREAT Britain's total of five sets of medals left them third in the medals table after the world rowing championships, which ended here on Sunday, and 39 per cent of the team left the United States with medals in their pockets.

It is a proud record but, as in any walk of life, thoughts must turn to improvement and the future.

Of the medal-winners, Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent will continue until the 1996 Olympic Games, after which Redgrave, at 34, intends to retire. Peter Haining also has Olympic aspirations, "either as a heavyweight or a lightweight", but for the women's lightweight coxless four of Alison Brownless, Jane Hall, Annamarie Stapleton and Tonia Williams, a silver-medal performance last Sunday was their last race as a unit.

"It probably made us go faster," Williams, the stroke, said. With no event for them in the Olympics, they must decide between heavyweight rowing or lightweight sculling for Atlanta.

No Olympic event is available for the gold-medal men's lightweight eight, either. With a number of elder statesmen in the crew — Chris Bates and Carl Smith, for example, have been collecting medals for more than a decade — the unit must be fluid. The London RC lightweight four, disappointed with seventh position here, will make Atlanta their target, but their future is less assured financially after failing to reach the final, which can bring a top 100 award grant from the Foundation for Sport and the Arts.

Many of the leading British performers here were in receipt of such help with training expenses, the gold-medal eight included. Sean Bowden, their coach, said after the final: "This has been the first year that our training programme has not been compromised by money." It showed.

The bronze medal secured by the new men's coxless four was impressive. Greg Searle, accustomed to winning gold with his brother, Jonny, in the coxed pairs, which have been omitted from the next Olympics, admitted to being "disappointed, really", but for a new line-up to finish within two seconds of a world record is not a bad start. Steve Gunn coach to the Searles and Rupert Obholzer since their Hampton school days, believes there is better to come from the crew, which is completed by Ken Foster, and Jonny Searle said: "We would be happy to be told we are going through to the Olympics as a crew but we would not necessarily expect it after a bronze."

Apart from Redgrave and Pinsent, the coxless four produced the best performance of the British heavyweight men.

The eight and coxed four, both young and still developing, were off the pace and not over-impressive, although Jürgen Grobler, the national coach, said the eight "is closing the gap".

Apart from the lightweight coxless four's silver medal, disappointment was the general story for the small British women's team. The Amateur Rowing Association is looking for a full-time coach for women and has been pushing to increase female participation in international rowing. It is clearly necessary.

It will be interesting to see whether Fisa, the governing body of rowing, changes its mind about the new approach to the starting procedure. Officials were told to lengthen and vary the gap between "set" and "go" to avoid false starts. The experiment did the reverse and more were seen than ever before.

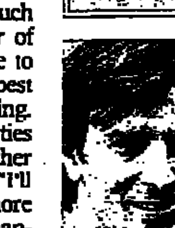
The saddest result was the disqualification of Silken Laumann, of Canada, in the women's sculls, after two false starts. Laumann, the winner in Lucerne and the favourite for gold, was distraught and lodged a protest.

MEDALS TABLE

	G	S	B	T
Italy	4	2	1	7
Germany	3	3	3	9
Britain	3	1	1	5
United States	2	3	1	6
Romania	2	1	3	6
Denmark	2	1	1	4
Holland	1	2	1	4
France	1	1	1	3
Canada	1	1	0	2
New Zealand	1	1	0	2
Austria	1	0	0	1
Croatia	1	0	0	1
Norway	1	0	0	1
China	0	2	1	3
Australia	0	1	3	4
Switzerland	0	1	2	3
Ireland	0	1	1	2
Ukraine	0	1	1	2
Russia	0	1	0	1
Belgium	0	0	1	1
Portugal	0	0	1	1
Slovenia	0	0	1	1

A Scotsman, an Irishman and an alien

REVIEW



Matthew Bond

The Japanese (you remember — small, industrious, fearsome race with hilariously incomprehensible language) have been at the forefront of television technology for as long as anyone can remember. But we British (stiff upper-lip, general delight in coming second, that sort of thing) are far from idle.

For while the Japanese busy themselves on the next great step forward (said to be a cross between a homing pigeon and a remote control unit), the BBC has just about perfected its own big breakthrough — the Nicam digital stereotype. Yes, **Rab C Nesbitt** (BBC 2) is back.

Shrugging off the Sunday night drubbing he recently received at the hands of the mild-mannered Inspector Wycliffe, Gregor Fisher's one-man mission to reduce the Scottish population to a fistful of cultural clichés continues. Out go the beard and boats of *Tales of Para Handy*, in come the stubble and string-vests of Govan's gutter philosopher.

The new series, the fourth, found Nesbitt exploring ever-greater depths of misfortune. His long-suffering wife, Mary, has finally had enough — "all I've ever had from you is poverty, hardship and desperation". Aye, agreed Nesbitt, but delivered in a "cheery, twinkling, roguish sort of way". In less time than it takes to say "two pints of heavy", Nesbitt is back at his mother's, a woman who lives only for "tea, fags and telly — if it wasn't for Richard and Judy she'd have snuffed it years ago".

If ever there was a programme that divides people it is *Rab C*. It is popular with the Scots largely, I suspect, because it confounds the English. And it is popular with some English largely, I suspect, because they are the sort who gain a smug satisfaction from feeling they are as fluent in the street *patois* of Govan as they are in German or Greek. That just leaves the rest of us to struggle with the machine gun delivery of lines such as "you'd need to take a pair of nutcrackers to my aortic valve to get my heart to open up". At best it's mystifying, at worst alienating.

But, translating difficulties apart, the real question is whether *Rab C Nesbitt* is funny at all. "I'll just slip into something more appropriate," promised the man-hungry and presumably myopic divorcée who dragged Nesbitt home from his first singles' club. "How about the change of life," mutters our silver-tongued hero. Must be the way he tells 'em.

Over on BBC 1 Paul Rhys gave full vent to the new stereotype technology with his performance as Dr John Lassiter in part one of **The Healer**. Dr John, as his band of faithful followers called him, is the bog Irishman personified — all twinkling eyes and twinkling tongue. But his gifts extend beyond the gab to a pair of healing hands.

Dr John may not have believed in prescribing drugs to patients at Sparrow Hill Teaching Hospital, but he dispensed platitudes with abandon. "Sure, our hope is never foolish," he told a worried mother in the sort of brogue that normally guarantees a job on Radio 2's breakfast show. He also has a salient word for her ailing son: "Nothing is ever as bad as we fear." *The Healer*, however, comes close.

This had little to do with the acting. Stereotyped it may have been, but Rhys is suitably compelling in the central role and he is well supported, particularly by Nicky Henson, who as Dr Ralph Raebryte is a splendidly evil face of conventional medicine. Hilary Mason too, as Dr John's patient turned landlady, gives a fine comic performance, albeit straight out of *The Ladykillers*.

No, my problem lies with G.F. Newman's script, written presumably to remind us that modern hospital medicine is more to do with big business than healing people. But by introducing a healer of Dr John's apparently awesome power (dead brain-stem — just give me a couple of minutes) he weighs the advantage too heavily with alternative therapies. Game, set and empty medicine cabinet surely? Well, perhaps not. Part one concluded with Dr John contemplating his latest miracle on a lofty balcony, looking perilously close to the sun. Sadly, I for one was past caring whether the wax melts tonight or not.

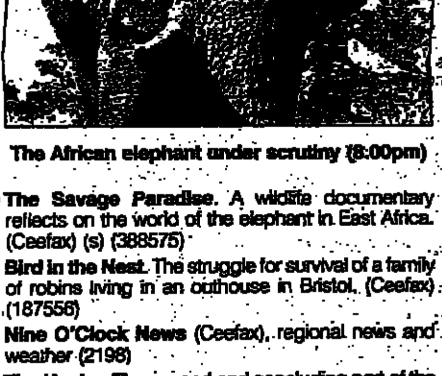
It is not just the BBC which is making headway with stereotypes. American broadcasters are no slouches either, although they prefer to talk about sticking with a successful formula. For X-Files (BBC 2) the successful formula is the FBI agent with a passion for the paranormal. Sounds familiar, huh? The programme clearly owes a big debt to *Twin Peaks* and is not ashamed to acknowledge it. In the first few minutes we'd had be-nightied maidens rushing through wind-blown and curiously back-lit pine forests to meet a sticky end. "It's happening again," said the sinister local sheriff. "It's the owls," we all shouted back.

Actually this time round it wasn't, although that might have proved more fun. Nor did it turn out to be the strange humanoid found in a coffin with a small bit of metal lodged up its nose. Was this the first evidence of inter-stellar cocaine abuse? Quite possibly — the object was last seen being consigned to the X-Files, where the FBI buries evidence of the paranormal. Next to a mouldy piece of cherry pie.

Bananas, not cherries, starred in the first of **Harry Hill's Fruit Fancies** (BBC 2), a short series of silent-ish, black and white films shot very much in the style of Eric Sykes's *The Plank*. The series has been labelled "surreal" — critic shorthand for I'm not really sure if this is funny. *Bananas* wasn't, but some of the later are. The first pick 'n' mix series has arrived.

BBC1

6.00am Business Breakfast (62681)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (31182759)
9.05 Kids on Kilroy. Young people discuss juvenile crime (1010391)
9.30 A Word in Your Ear. Verbal communications game show presented by Gordon Burns (38914)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (8915643) **10.05 Liberal Democrats Live** from Brighton: Employment and Charles Kennedy's last address as president of the Liberal Democrats are on the agenda. Includes, at **11.00** and **12.00, News**, regional news and weather (27931812) **12.55pm Regional News** and weather (16132952)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (73136)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (53710933) **1.50 Turnabout**. Game show (s) (89342681)
2.20 FILM: The Silver Fleet (1945, b/w) starring Ralph Richardson and Googie Withers. Second World War drama directed by Vernon Sewell and Gordon Wellesley (9823730)
3.50 Chucklevision (r) (9328556) **4.10 The New Yogi Bear Show** (r) (2596961) **4.15 Run the Risk**. Game show (r) (s) (2222198) **4.35 Conan the Adventurer** (7521402)
5.00 Newsround (1253952) **5.10 Grange Hill** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (6707469)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (289372)
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (391)
6.30 Regional news magazines (643)
7.00 Hi-De-Hi! Holiday camp comedy series (r). (Ceefax) (9407). **Wales:** Six of One
7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (827)

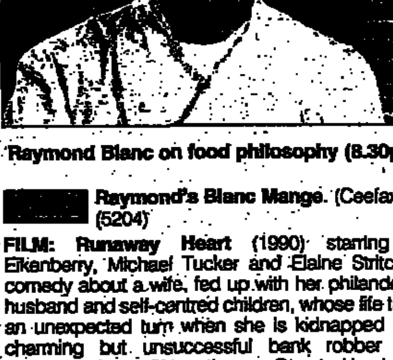


The African elephant under scrutiny (8.00pm)

8.00 The Savage Paradise. A wildlife documentary reflects on the world of the elephant in East Africa. (Ceefax) (s) (388575)
8.50 Bird in the Nest. The struggle for survival of a family of robins living in an outhouse in Bristol. (Ceefax) (187556)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2198)
9.30 The Healer. The second and concluding part of the drama about a doctor with a strange gift (s) (353681)
10.25 Dirty Money. Gavin Hewitt talks to the men who have laundered hundreds of millions of dollars through British Caribbean islands. (Ceefax) (s) (203372). **Northern Ireland:** Country Times 10.50 Smithfield 11.15 Dirty Money 12.00-12.35am Come Dancing
11.05 Come Dancing. The United Kingdom v Poland. (Ceefax) (s) (683914)
11.40 FILM: Fatal Bond (1991) starring Linda Blair and Jerome Ehlers. Drama about a drifter who becomes the prime suspect when young women are murdered in every town that he visits with his companion. She begins to think that she is next on the list. Directed by Vincent Monton (908865) **1.10am Weather** (4192957)
2.45-3.45 BBC Select: Executive Business Channel. Scrambled (459518)

BBC2

6.45am Open University: Modern Art Picasso's *Guernica* (5210681) **7.10** Engineering and Science: Given Enough Rope (6395827) **7.35** Database Developments (2764556)
8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax and signing) (9200989)
8.15 Pinocchio (7389339) **8.35 Babar** (3526407)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes. Plus, for children, **10.00** Playdays (5016952)
2.00 Joshua Jones. For children (r) (98920763)
2.10 Liberal Democrats Live. The debate on Northern Ireland. Presented by Huw Edwards, Sheena McDonald and Jon Sopel. Includes **News** and weather at **3.00** and **3.50** (73440488)
5.30 Great North Run. Highlights of the annual half-marathon from Newcastle to South Shields. The commentators are David Coleman, Brendan Foster and Paul Dickenson (420)
6.00 FILM: Gun Fury (1953) starring Rock Hudson and Lee Marvin. Western drama about a newly-wed rancher whose wife is kidnapped by an outlaw gang. He and the outlaw leader's former partner give chase. With Donna Reed and Phil Carey. Directed by Raoul Walsh (2768643)
7.20 Education Special: Simple Minds. New evidence suggests that the way science is taught may guarantee misunderstanding. The programme points to flaws in the testing system and demonstrates that teachers often hold the same misconceptions as their pupils. (Ceefax) (s) (185049)
8.00 Baby Monthly. The five babies are now seven months old and begin to show an interest in toys, and three of the mothers who returned to work talk of the difficulty in arranging childcare. (Ceefax) (3469)



Raymond Blanc on food philosophy (8.30pm)

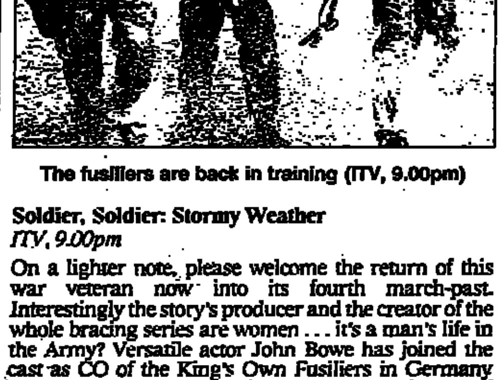
8.30 NEW **Raymond's Blanc Mange**. (Ceefax) (s) (5204)
9.00 FILM: Runaway Heart (1990) starring Jill Eikenberry, Michael Tucker and Elaine Stritch. A comedy about a wife, fed up with her philandering husband and self-centred children, whose life takes an unexpected turn when she is kidnapped by a charming but unsuccessful bank robber who introduces her to life on the run. Directed by James Frawley (1469)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (102339)
11.15 The Late Show. Mark Lawson chairs a discussion on the future of drama on British television (s) (694020)
11.55 Weather (417778)
12.00 Images: Seeing with Sound. The uses of ultrasound (60266). Ends at **12.30am**

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CHOICE

Network First: Waking From Coma
ITV, 10.40pm (Scottish 11.45pm)

Mark Galloway's documentary addresses itself to the very basics of life and death. In Putney's Royal Hospital the brain injury unit - unique in Europe - looks after PVS (persistent vegetative state) patients who are beginning to come out of a coma. Danny's brain was starved of oxygen after diabetic complications. Patrick, a car crash victim, has spent seven months in a waking coma. Grant has responded to the hospital's intensive therapy and is due to move into a rehabilitation centre. This remarkable film follows their case histories and poignantly shows how their parents - most notably their mothers - are trying to get through to them. Medical director Dr Keith Andrews fights hard to keep his charges alive and comfortable even though there are many (including, one suspects some of the partially recovered patients themselves) who would prefer to opt for oblivion.



The fusiliers are back in training (ITV, 9.00pm)

Soldier, Soldier: Stormy Weather
ITV, 9.00pm

On a lighter note, please welcome the return of this war veteran now into its fourth march-past. Interestingly the story's producer and the creator of the whole bracing series are women ... it's a man's life in the Army? Versatile actor John Bowe has joined the cast as CO of the King's Own Fusiliers in Germany and among his first tasks is to decorate the heroes of Bosnia with UN medals — Corporal Paddy Garvey (Jerome Flynn) is up for a Queen's Gallantry gong. Their next posting is Cyprus - not, as we know, without potential for storylines.

Trial and Error
Channel 4, 9.00pm

David Jessel adds another disturbing chapter to his series with an investigation into the strange case of Sheila Bowler, serving a life sentence for the murder of her late husband's elderly aunt. Again Jessel obsessively picks away at the evidence presented by the East Sussex Police — strong enough, the judiciary decided, to convict the 62-year-old music teacher out of hand. Had "pillar of the community" Bowler really forced a frail old lady down a riverbank and drowned her? It seems lack of evidence to the contrary is what condemned her, but Jessel and his team have produced a staggering list of fresh possibilities for the finding of the body of 89-year-old Florence Jackson in the River Brede in May 1992.

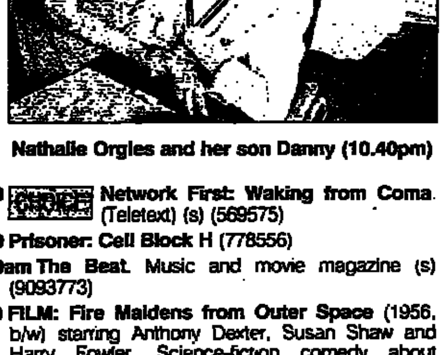
Raymond's Blanc Mange
BBC2, 8.30pm

Even if you are not into *haute cuisine* it is a joy to watch Raymond Blanc. The French masterchef's new series — the opening titles alone are worth tasting — is based in his own restaurant, Le Manoir aux Quat' Saisons near Oxford. Chemists and other food scientists put him to the test and even Blanc's *maman* joins in with some shrewd comments about her son's chocolate mousse. Martin Jarvis adds his observations too as the 18th-century gourmet and philosopher Brillat-Savarin. Delicious.

Elizabeth Cowley

CARLTON

6.00am GMTV (8032952)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep. Shopping game show (1016575) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (5093001)
10.00 The Time ... the Place ... (s) (9320440)
10.35 This Morning Family magazine (97470372) **12.20pm London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1157020)
12.30 Lunchtime News (Teletext) and weather (9212952)
12.55 Emmerdale (r) (Teletext) (9297643)
1.25 Home and Away. (Teletext) (68739001) **1.55 Vanessa**. Vanessa Feltz discusses a topic of interest to women (s) (89336020)
2.25 A Country Practice. Medical drama (s) (20290391) **2.50 The Young Doctors**. Hospital drama (2117407)
3.20 ITN News headlines (Teletext) (9389662) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9388933)
3.30 Gigglish Allsorts (s) (3113136) **3.40 Tots TV** (s) (8164933) **3.50 Twinkle the Dream Being** (8160117) **4.00 Cartoon Time** (4614001) **4.15 Hurricanes** (s) (2231646) **4.40 Children's Ward** (r). (Teletext) (s) (1241074)
5.10 After 5 with Fern Britton. (Teletext) (4592310)
5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (806198)
5.55 Your Shout. Viewers' soapbox (262846)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (759)
6.30 London Tonight (Teletext) (339)
7.00 Emmerdale. (Teletext) (4575)
7.30 Metroland. A look at people who work with their bodies (s) (223)
8.00 The Bill: Back on the Chain Gang. Jo Morgan pays a heavy price for staying loyal to a villain. Starring Mary Jo Randle (3223)
8.30 Strike It Lucky. Quiz game show presented by Michael Barrymore. (Teletext) (s) (2730)
9.00 CHOICE **Soldier, Soldier: Stormy Weather**. (Teletext) (s) (7759)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (91812) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) (669759)

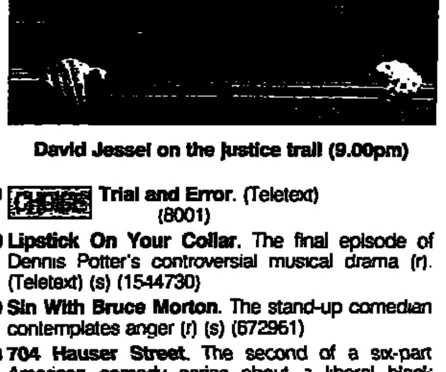


Nathalie Orgles and her son Danny (10.40pm)

10.40 CHOICE **Network First: Waking from Coma**. (Teletext) (s) (569575)
11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (778556)
12.40am The Beat. Music and movie magazine (s) (9093773)
1.40 FILM: Fire Maidens from Outer Space (1956, b/w) starring Anthony Dexter, Susan Shaw and Harry Fowler. Science-fiction comedy about astronauts who land on a planet inhabited by 16 beautiful young women. Directed by Cy Roth (3764570)
3.00 Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94 (r) (19179)
3.30 America's Top Ten (40131)
4.00 The Little Picture Show Film and video reviews (98570)
5.00 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema. American film reviews (75247)
5.30 ITN Morning News (58421). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.30am Chicken Minute. Cartoon series (r) (46594)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (63759)
9.00 You Bet Your Life (r) (28049)
9.30 Schools Eureka! **9.45** Stop, Look, Listen **10.00** Fourways Farm **10.10** Maths Everywhere **10.25** How We Used to Live **10.48** Mathsbook **11.00** Science in Focus **11.22** Stage One **11.38** Schools At Work **11.45** First Edition (975469)
12.00 Profiles of Nature. Warblers filmed by Canadian wildlife cameraman John Bax (r) (41335)
12.30am Sesame Street. The guest is the actor Kevin Kline (r) (88136) **1.30 Trumpton** followed by **Little Brrm** (64339)
2.00 FILM: Road House (1948, b/w) starring Richard Widmark, Cornel Wilde and Ida Lupino. Claustrophobic drama about a road house owner who frames his manager for murder. Directed by Jean Negulesco (169778)
3.40 Love's Lost Hour An old man has a last conversation with his dead wife (9348310)
4.00 Scotland's Larder. In the second of his six-part culinary tour Derek Cooper visits Fort William and Orkney. (Teletext) (952)
4.30 Countdown. Win up to a £1,000 in conjuction with *The Times*. (Teletext) (s) (136)
5.00 Oprah Gold. The guests are Roseanne Arnold and, later, Tom Arnold (r). (Teletext) (s) (2639049)
5.50 Deputy Dawg. Cartoon (252469)
6.00 Batman. (Teletext) (371)
6.30 NEW **Gamesmaster**. An eight-part video magazine presented by Dominik Diamond (s) (681)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (707285)
7.50 Belfast Lessons (987223)
8.00 Quarrels. In the last of the series Hameed Haroon brings together Chris Ellis of the Westminster University Students' Union and militant Islamic Hizb'e-Tahrir party spokesman Farid Kasim. (Teletext) (s) (1865)
8.30 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (7152)



David Jessel on the justice trail (9.00pm)

9.00 CHOICE **Trial and Error**. (Teletext) (8001)
10.00 Lipstick On Your Collar. The final episode of Dennis Potter's controversial musical drama (r). (Teletext) (s) (1544730)
11.20 Sin With Bruce Morton. The stand-up comedian contemplates anger (r) (s) (672961)
11.50 704 Hauser Street. The second of a six-part American comedy series about a liberal black family. (Teletext) (s) (265117)
12.20am Football Italia – Mezzanotte. Highlights of Napoli v Juventus (1827808)
1.20 World Tennis. Includes Sergi Bruguera v Goran Ivanisevic in Bucharest (1889976)
1.50 FILM: Prince of Foxes (1949, b/w) starring Tyrone Power, Orson Welles and Wanda Hendrix. Swashbuckler about an ambassador for Cesare Borgia preparing an invasion of a neighbouring province. Directed by Henry King. (Teletext) (328082). Ends at **3.45**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Anglia News (5093001) **12.20pm-12.30** Anglia News and Weather (1157020) **1.55** A Country Practice (53715488) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (2117407) **3.25-3.30** Anglia News and Weather (9388933) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (4592310) **6.25-7.00** Anglia Weather followed by Anglia News (957933) **7.30-8.00** Bodyworks (223) **10.30-10.40** Anglia News and Weather (669759) **12.35am** Find the Lady (348570) **2.15** The Little Picture Show (3745995) **3.10** ITV Chart Show (1443501) **4.05** Jobfinder (5937841) **4.55** Curtis Calls (46820537) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: McGilloway's Way (75247)

CENTRAL

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HTV WEST

As London except: 9.55-10.00 ITN News Headlines (5093001) **12.20pm-12.30** HTV West News and Weather (1157020) **2.25** Travel Trails (20281643) **2.55-3.20** Shortland Street (6929440) **3.25-3.30** HTV West Headlines (9388933) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (4592310) **5.55** Home and Away (285556) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (957933) **7.30-8.00** Dust Off (223) **10.30-10.40** HTV West Headlines and Weather (669759) **12.35am** Find the Lady (348570) **2.15** The Little Picture Show (3745995) **3.10** ITV Chart Show (1443501) **4.05** Jobfinder (5937841) **4.55** Curtis Calls (46820537) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: McGilloway's Way (75247)

HTV WALES

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MERIDIAN

As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Meridian News and Weather (5093001) **12.20pm-12.30** Meridian News and Weather (1157020) **1.55** A Country Practice (53715488) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (2117407) **3.25-3.30** Meridian News and Weather (9388933) **5.10** Home and Away (4592310) **5.37-5.40** Three Minutes — Freescreen (275310) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (759) **6.30-7.00** What's My Line? (339) **7.30-8.00** Serve You Right (223) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News and Weather (669759) **5.00am-5.30** Freescreen (75247)

TYNE TEES

As London except: 1.55-3.25 A Country Practice (53715488) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4592310) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (984198) **6.30-7.00** Crosswits (339) **7.30-8.00** Good Advice (223) **11.40** Film: Blood and Orchids (Kris Kristofferson, Jane Alexander, Sean Young) (673488) **1.20am** The Little Picture Show (4482173) **2.20** Sport AM (8546889) **3.15** Kid Creole and the Coconuts (441599) **4.15-5.30** Jobfinder (1754773)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: 9.55-10.00 Westcountry News (5093001) **12.20pm** Westcountry News (1133440) **12.25-12.30** My Story (1172339) **2.25-3.25** The Young Doctors (20281643) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4592310) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (42117) **7.30-8.00** Cobblestones; Cottages and Castles (223) **12.35am** Find the Lady (348570) **2.15** The Little Picture Show (3745995) **3.10** ITV Chart Show (1443501) **4.05** Jobfinder (5937841) **4.55** Curtis Calls (46820537) **5.00-5.30** About Britain: McGilloway's Way (75247)

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 1.55-3.25 A Country Practice (53715488) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (4592310) **5.55** Calendar / Network North (984198) **6.30-7.00** Crosswits (339) **7.30-8.00** Good Advice (223) **10.30-10.40** Calendar News (669759) **11.40** Film: Blood and Orchids (Kris Kristofferson, Jane Alexander, Sean Young) (673488) **1.20am** The Little Picture Show (4482173) **2.20** Sport AM (8546888) **3.15** Kid Creole and the Coconuts (441599) **4.15-5.30** Jobfinder (1754773)

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Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (63759) **9.00** You Bet Your Life (28049) **9.30** Ysgolion (975469) **12.00pm** Profiles of Nature: Warblers (41335) **12.30** Slot Meithrin (25440) **1.00** Hullabaloo (68646) **1.30** The Garden Club: Alnwick (64339) **2.00** The Late Late Show (38575) **3.00** Wild Britain: Children of the Storm (9378) **3.30** Oprah Winfrey Show (9829317) **4.25** Happy Days (1814265) **5.00** 5 Pump - Uned 5 (5681) **5.30** Countdown (585376) **6.20** Heno (947556) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (2117) **7.30** Glamocs (965) **8.00** Dal I Droi Y Dakota - Do3 (1865) **8.30** Newyddion (7152) **9.00** The Bureau (8001) **10.00** Brookside (91864) **10.30** Lipstick On Your Collar (5214488) **11.45** The Lighthsip (983001)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am DJ Kat Show (29017402) **8.40** Lamb Chop (1032681) **9.10** Cartoons (5932730) **9.30** Card Sharks (2534339) **9.55** Concentration (2502730) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (8846862) **10.30** Love at First Sight (42643) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (13778) **12.00** Urban Peasant (66223) **12.30pm** E Street (90778) **1.00** Falcon Crest (88933) **2.00** Hart to Hart (89223) **3.00** Another World (8863643) **3.45** DJ Kat Show (8384488) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (2038) **6.00** Gamesworld (9391) **6.30** Blockbusters (1353) **7.00** E Street (1407) **7.30** M*A*S*H (6827) **8.00** FILM: Pursuit: The plot to kill Hitler (34136) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (13643) **11.00** Late Show (980339) **11.45** Battlestar Galactica (889865) **12.45am** Barney Miller (28660) **1.15-1.45** Night Court (25773)

SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (2356310) **9.30** Fashion TV (92914) **10.30** ABC Nightline (40285) **1.30pm** CBS News This Morning (70204) **2.30** Those were the Days (18117) **3.30** Talking with David Frost (8049) **6.00** Richard Littlejohn (87189) **9.30** News Extra — Amhem Anniversary (78556) **11.30** CBS News (61662) **12.30am** ABC News (4860605) **1.10** Richard Littlejohn (3756150) **2.30** Those were the Days (68402) **3.30** Talking with David Frost (70247) **4.30** CBS News (57247) **5.30-6.00** ABC News (69315)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (9722223)
10.00 The Bear (1989): tale of a baby bear forced to fend for itself (94594)
12.00 Mr Nanny (1993): with Hulk Hogan (80188)
2.00pm Beyond the Poseidon Adventure (1979): The recovery operation (37223)
4.00 Move Over, Darling (1963): Doris Day returns home after five years to find that her husband has remarried (31797198)
5.55 The Bear: As 10am (51168594)
7.30 Close-Up: Toys: Behind the scenes (4223)
8.00 Mr Nanny: As 12 noon (29204)
10.00 Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead (1991): Comedy in which Christina Applegate takes a job in fashion to support her siblings (479204)
11.45 Class of 1999 (1989): Sequel to *Class of '84* (208827)
1.25am Turtle Beach (1992). Drama set during the Vietnamese boat people crisis (1911286)
2.50 Born Too Soon (1992). Forty-something parents with a premature baby (3738113)
4.20 Move Over, Darling: As 4pm (106583). Ends at **6.00**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00am How to Steal a Million (1966) Romantic comedy caper (21336881)
8.05 The Big Heat (1953): Glenn Ford is a cop determined to bust a city crime-ring (69705469)
10.00 Hair (1979): Adaptation of the 1960s musical (82223). Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am The New Adventures of Oliver Twist: Animated adventure (13001)
8.00 The Hunchback of Notre Dame: Animated classic (45575)
9.00 King Solomon's Mines: Animated classic (35049)
10.00 The Treasure of Swamp Castle Cartoon adventure (92136)
12.00 Kings of the Sun (1963): Yul Brynner plays a Mayan governor in America (51440)
2.00pm D-Day: The Sixth of June (1956): Two men fall for the same woman (35865)
4.00 The Hunchback of Notre Dame: As 8am (98765)
5.00 King Solomon's Mines: As 9am (3488)
6.00 Ladybugs (1992). Comedy (15001)
8.00 Just One of the Girls (1992): Teenage comedy (27846)
10.00 Trespass (1992). Treasure hunt (477846)
11.45 Falling from Grace (1991): Drama, directed by and starring John Cougar Mellencamp (945117)
1.30am Lies of the Twins (1991): Thriller with Isabella Rossellini (38076)
3.05 Three Tough Guys (1974): A Catholic priest and a policeman team up (5601624)
4.35 Ladybugs: As 6pm (1403421)

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Soccer (7947317) **7.15** WWF Mania (422469) **8.15** Soccer (1980117) **8.30** World of Speed (55204) **9.00** Windsurfing (46556) **9.30** Aerobics (72469) **10.00** Embassy World Pool Championship (85933) **12.00** Aerobics (59020) **12.30pm** Football (89778) **2.00** Snooker Scottish Open (674488) **5.00** WWF Superstars (2778) **6.00** Soccer (327372) **6.15** Sports Classics (322827) **6.30** Grass Roots Rugby (2643) **7.00** Boots 'n' All (41440) **8.00** Ringside Boxing (61204) **10.00** Soccer News (828827) **10.15** Footballers' Football (680827) **11.15** Grass Roots Rugby (800198) **11.45** Baseball '94 (609469) **12.15-2.15am** Scottish Snooker (868696)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (33556) **8.00** Eurogolf (81391) **9.00** Dancing (64575) **10.00** Volleyball (22440) **11.00** Football (67398) **12.30pm** Speedworld (74846) **2.00** Athletics (64391) **4.00** Wondersports (35391) **5.00** Football (58169) **6.30** News (7339) **7.00** Athletics (76136) **8.00** The Greatest Hours (52555) **9.00** Boxing (65020) **10.00** Snooker (22827) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport (28228)



Gloria Grahame and Lee Marvin (Sky Movies Gold, 8.05pm)

UK GOLD

7.00am Sullivans (6513827) **7.30** Neighbours (6525662) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (3751020) **8.30** EastEnders (3750391) **9.00** The Bill (3741643) **9.30** The Chinese Detective (7558594) **10.30** Big Deal (96053223) **11.35** Sullivans (90124778) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (3761407) **12.30pm** Neighbours (7662846) **1.00** EastEnders (6512198) **1.30** The Bill (7681117) **2.00** Potter (3201730) **2.30** Reginald Perrin (6500310) **3.00** Knots Landing (2754827) **4.00** Dynasty (2766662) **5.00** Every Second Counts (6524575) **5.40** Captain Pugwash (6288391) **5.50** Sykes (1118372) **6.30** EastEnders (6532391) **7.00** Reginald Perrin (3212846) **7.30** George and Mildred (6598575) **8.00** Rose (3221594) **8.30** Potter (3200001) **9.00** Sweeney (3042952) **10.00** The Bill (3762136) **10.30** Top of the Pops (6253551) **11.10** Naked Video (6552575) **11.50** Dr Who (3019952) **12.20am** Bergerac (4108179) **2.20** Shopping (4479063)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am Radkan III (4311469) **6.15** Teddy Ruxpin (475391) **6.45** Casper (474662) **7.15** Eek the Cat (471575) **7.45** Saved by the Bell (470846) **8.15** Head to Head (7161933) **8.25** Super Mario Brothers (7583117) **8.50** Tikou (1910020) **9.00** It's Droobee Time (95469) **10.00** Teddy Trucks (35001) **11.00** Kitty Cats (84681) **11.30** Barney (85310) **12.00** Radkan III (91020) **12.30pm** Eek (18285) **1.00** Saved by the Bell (59681) **1.30** Head to Head in 3D (58689556) **1.40** Super Mario Brothers (56335608) **2.00** Babar (2933) **2.30** Madeline (8264) **3.00** Tic Tac Toons (5985198) **3.15** Around the World (505484) **3.45** The Bots' Master (159875) **4.15** Head to Head (8693852) **4.30-5.00** Halfway across the Galaxy (6040)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Grimmy (50223) **7.30** Rocko (1599371) **7.45** Rugrats (829198) **8.15** Ren and Stimpy (1988759) **8.30** Simer (53846) **9.00** Nick Jr (916001) **12.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (57662) **12.30pm** Muppets (74827) **1.00** Doug (59594) **1.30** Alvin (73198) **2.00** Denver (9843) **2.30** Smoggies (8204) **3.00** Simer (9440) **3.30** Carmen Sandiego (3579) **4.00** Grimmy (9556) **4.30** Rugrats (8440) **5.00** Clarissa (1285) **5.30** Doug (2020) **6.00** Guts (9933) **6.30-7.00** Dracula (3335)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm The Global Family (6599204) **4.30** Waterways (6595488) **5.00** Aussies (3219759) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (7698407) **7.00** Magic or Medicine? (3044310) **8.00** Fire on the Rim (3020730) **9.00** The X-Planes (2780488) **9.30** Choppers (7693952) **10.00** Discovery Journal (3043681) **11.00-12.00** Sexual Imperative (6520117)

BRAVO

12.00 FILM: Jumping for Joy (1956): With Frankie Howerd (6139778) **2.00pm** thirtysomething (8110643) **3.00** My Three Sons (3215933) **3.30** Beverly Hillbillies (6507223) **4.00** FILM: Carnival (1946): Drama about a ballet star (6722372) **5.30** The Mothers-In-Law (6506594) **6.00** Green Hornet (6503407) **6.30** Time Tunnel (1952643) **7.30** Honey West (6583643) **8.00** thirtysomething (3024556) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (2757914) **9.30** FILM: Night of the Eagle (1962): Peter Wyngarde discovers that his wife is using voodoo (4223391) **11.00** Donny and Marie (2769759) **11.30-12.00** Hogan's Heroes (8115198)

UK LIVING

6.00am Best of Anne and Nick (9715865) **8.00** Your Baby and Child (3966310) **8.30** Truth About Women (3965681) **9.00** Spain on a Plate (3956933) **9.30** Now You See It (2613223) **10.00** Trivia Trap (7168117) **10.30** Definition (3952117) **11.00** Young and Restless (8055778) **12.00** The Calendar Fashion Show (3343469) **12.30pm** Practical Living (51499372) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (4249402) **1.30** The Home Show (2616310) **2.00** Agony Hour (7169846) **3.00** Living Magazine (7679020) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (71277440) **4.00** Infatuation (9412933) **4.30** Definition (73450117) **4.55** Delia Smith's Cookery Course (2387198) **5.30** Kalo and Alke (9409469) **6.00** Maternal World (9422310) **6.30** Musiquest (9413662) **7.00** Living Magazine (8913117) **8.00** Young and Restless (8922865) **9.00** FILM: The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman (1974) (8925852) **11.00** Infatuation (2355285) **11.30-12.00** Material World (7157001)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm Tintin (3285) **5.30** Boogies Diner (4020) **6.00** New Adventures of Black Beauty (1933) **6.30** Through the Keyhole (2285) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (3049) **7.30** Mighty Jungle (8469) **8.00** Trapped (92198) **9.00** Moonlighting (73402) **10.00** Catchphrase (92579) **10.30** GP (85469) **11.00** Lou Grant (36730) **12.00** Rhoda (59112) **12.30am** Big Brother Jake (20112) **1.00** Catchphrase (92082) **1.30** Trivial Pursuit (22711) **2.00** Moonlighting (99624) **3.00** Lou Grant (15711) **4.00** Rhoda (49082) **4.30-5.00** Mighty Jungle (80247)

MTV

5.00am Awake on the Wildside (391773) **8.00** VJ Ingo (236117) **10.30** Pulse (86198) **11.00** Soul (57223) **12.00** Greatest Hits (39778) **1.00pm** VJ (98556) **2.30** Football Special (30440) **3.30** The Report (2058575) **3.45** At the Movies (2046730) **4.00** News (8689759) **4.15** Three from One (8695310) **4.30** Dial (9198) **5.00** Music Non-Stop (16001) **6.30** Sports (4643) **7.00** Greatest Hits (18136) **8.00** Most Wanted (77575) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (30407) **10.00** The Report (620372) **10.15** At the Movies (625827) **10.30** News (476001) **10.45** Three from One (471556) **11.00** The End! (62339) **1.00am** VJ (87155) **2.00** Videos (2055044)

TV ASIA

6.00am Persian Dawn (86223) **7.00** Asian Morning (43020) **8.00** Serial (15223) **10.00** Bengali Movie (555391) **1.00pm** New Serial (53407) **1.30** Hindi Movie (482594) **4.30** Kiddie Time (7594) **5.00-6.00** TVA and You (9846) **7.00** New Serial (1049) **7.30** Zabeen Sambhal Ke (6469) **8.00** English News (193579) **8.15** Hindi Movie (98268681) **11.15** Waqt (247001) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (9476265) **1.35** Sight and Sound (89251957)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT

Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
7.00pm Rhapsody (1954): Elizabeth Taylor is torn between two musicians (3894440)
9.10 Gaby (1956). Leslie Caron as a ballerina who falls for a GI in London during the Second World War (9686952)
11.00 A Very Private Affair (1962) Comedy about a movie star who retires (8500875)
12.40am Scandal at Scourie (1953). A Protestant couple upset the community when they adopt a Catholic child (9201860)
2.20 If Winter Comes (1948): A married man sets tongues wagging when he befriends a young pregnant girl (8100421)

Ferguson courts trouble as cup toll spills over

By Peter Ball

UNLESS they have had a change of heart overnight, Manchester United are on course for another collision with the authorities by fielding a weakened team in the Coca-Cola Cup. Alex Ferguson has seven of his reserve team players on call for tomorrow's second-round tie with Port Vale at Vale Park.

How many will play, the manager will decide this morning. Nicky Butt, who made an impressive full debut against IFK Gothenburg in the European Cup Champions League match last week, seems certain to be included, along with Gary Walsh, the reserve team goalkeeper, who is fit again after an appendix operation.

They will be joined by Roy Keane, who will make his first starting appearance since returning from the World Cup. Brian McClair, too, will play, but thereafter places could be filled by five of Butt's former youth team colleagues, Paul Scholes, Keith Gillespie, Gary Neville, David Beckham and Simon Davies.

The programme of games last week, against Leeds United, IFK and Liverpool, is an illustration of the pressure on United this season. With the Champions League format putting ever-increasing demands on leading players, Ferguson is determined to ease the burden.

"It's an ideal opportunity to bring them in," Ferguson said yesterday. "They were on the bench for the European Cup last week, and I consider they are all first-team players. There may be a problem playing them all together, but I have faith in them, and they've got to play sometime."

Whether the Football League, whose auspices the competition comes under and whose regulations require that clubs field their strongest sides, will see it that way is questionable. With a 22,000 sell-out crowd, it will certainly not please Port Vale, whose supporters, bought tickets in the expectation of seeing Giggs rather than Gillespie, Cantona rather than Scholes.

Last season, United fielded a much-weakened side at Stoke City at the same stage, and lost 2-1 before winning the second leg. The league held an investigation on that occasion but took no action. It is, however, an intractable problem for both club and the authorities, and one which is unlikely to go away.

The returns of Keane and Walsh, whose displays at the end of last season made him a challenger to Peter Schmeichel for a place in the European Cup team, will give the game added importance for United. Keane still suffers from his groin injury after training. "He is clear of any damage so it is time for him to play through it," Ferguson said. "He needs games if he is going to be ready for the European Cup next week."

Everton, who meet Portsmouth tonight in the Coca-Cola Cup desperately in need of a win, acted promptly to smooth their supporters' displeasure at a gesture from Neville Southall, the Everton goalkeeper, at the end of the game against Queens Park Rangers on Saturday. Although nobody in the main stand saw the incident, David Mellor's phone-in programme on Radio 5 was inundated with calls of complaint.

Yesterday, Mike Walker, the Everton manager, said after seeking an explanation from Southall: "The matter will be dealt with appropriately." Southall may be fined a week's wages, around £4,000.

Trevor Francis would like to do more than that to the Hillsborough mole, who leaked stories to a Sunday newspaper of a player revolt aimed at installing Chris Waddle in place of the Sheffield Wednesday manager.

Yesterday, Francis held a meeting with the first-team squad, who were quick to express their support for the manager. "I was stunned by the story," Francis said. "In terms of character and spirit, the present group is the best in my time here."

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South Africa enter World Cup bidding

SOUTH Africa has expressed interest in staging the World Cup finals in the year 2006, the International Football Federation (Fifa) said yesterday.

Fifa has received a letter from the South African Football Association (Safa) expressing an interest in hosting the tournament. South Africa is the second candidate, after Germany, to announce its intention of applying to stage the tournament.

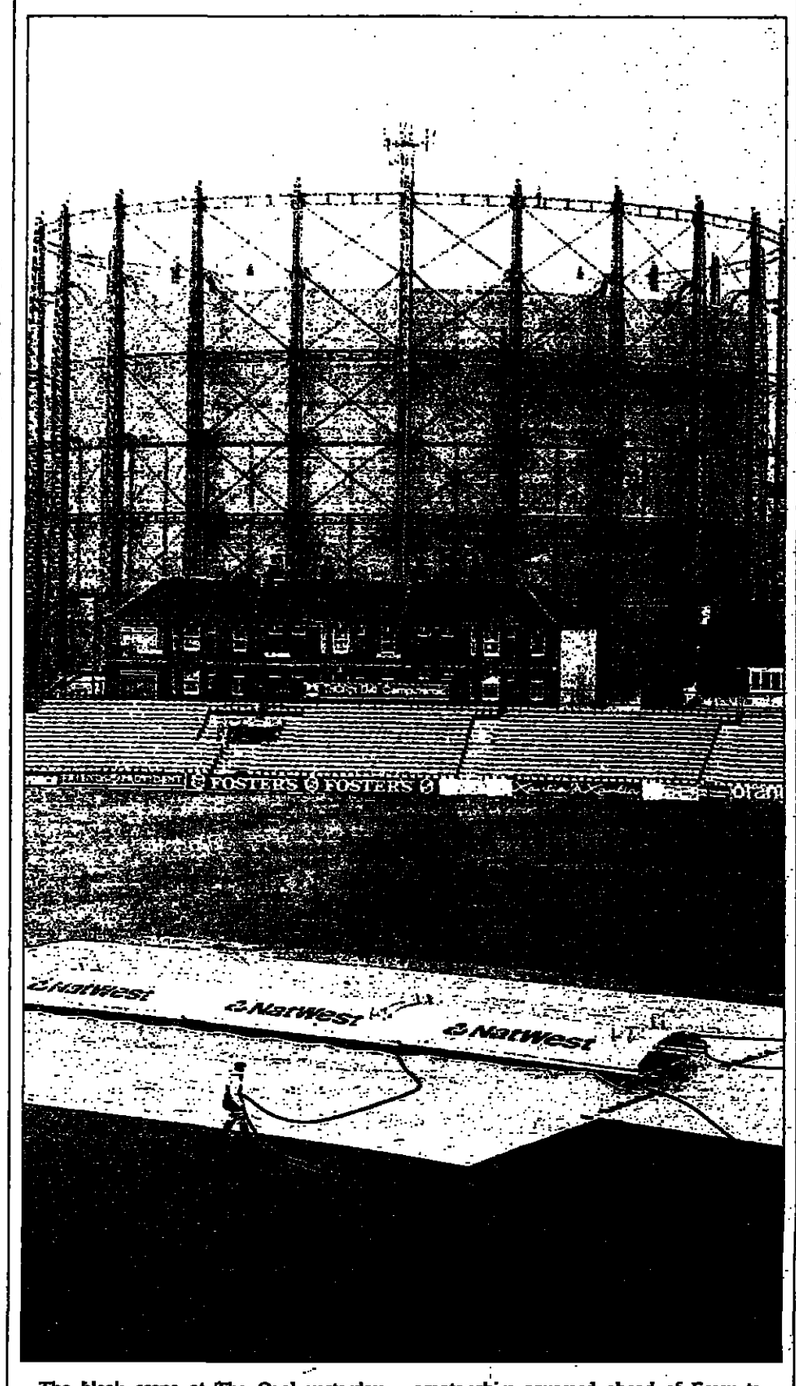
The World Cup finals have never been held on the African continent but leading Fifa officials, including João Havelange, the president, have suggested the tournament could go to Africa in 2006 if a suitable bid emerged. South Africa are due to host the rugby union World Cup finals next year.

Asia is the likely venue for the footbal World Cup for the first time in 2002 with Japan and South Korea both bidding for the right host the finals.

☐ Brian Horton, the Manchester City manager, has reacted to reports that Everton are interested in Niall Quinn by declaring that the Ireland international is not for sale. Everton are back in the market for a forward after Muller, the Brazilian international, rejected a move to Goodison last week. Although Horton preferred Uwe Rösler, the German player, for the 1-1 draw with Sheffield Wednesday on Saturday he said: "I am not in the business of selling my best players, and Niall is in that category."

☐ David White, the Leeds United winger, will be sidelined for a minimum of three weeks with a heel injury. White, who missed the match at Coventry City on Saturday, was injured during Leeds's 2-1 victory over Manchester United last week. The former England international has had his heel put in plaster and joins Tony Dorigo (knee) and David O'Leary (Achilles tendon) on the injury list.

Season trickles to close



The bleak scene at The Oval yesterday, when the first-class cricket season trickled to a watery close. Rain allowed only 14 overs to be bowled at Old Trafford and none at all in the eight other Britannic Assurance county championship matches. Warwickshire had long been assured of the title, so prize-money for the minor placings remained to be settled. Leicestershire held on to the runners-up position, worth £24,250, Nottinghamshire finished third (£14,000) and Middlesex, the 1993 champions, fourth (£7,250). Northamptonshire squeezed ahead of Essex to claim the £3,700 for finishing in fifth place. The season will be remembered for Warwickshire's record-breaking achievement of three domestic titles; only the NatWest Trophy, in which they were beaten finalists, eluded them, victory going to Worcestershire. Indeed, Warwickshire and Worcestershire dominated the limited-overs competitions, contesting both Lord's finals and filling the top two places in the Sunday league. Photograph: Des Jenson

Williams sign up Hill for third term in driving seat

By Our Sports Staff

DAMON Hill will drive for Williams-Renault for a third successive season next year, Frank Williams, the Formula One team director, announced yesterday. But the question of whether Nigel Mansell is to become his long-term partner at the Didcot-based grand prix team will not be revealed until the end of the world championship.

Mansell, the former champion, returns to drive for Williams in the last three races of this season having completed his second term of IndyCar racing in the United States.

He could help Hill clinch a crown which has been thrown wide open by Michael Schumacher's two-race ban.

Hill reduced Schumacher's lead by winning the Italian Grand Prix at Monza and another triumph in the Portuguese Grand Prix this Sunday will reduce the deficit to a single point.

Now comes the filip of knowing his future is secure. Hill said yesterday: "There is no question in my mind that the Williams-Renault team will provide me with a winning car again in 1995. I am therefore extremely pleased to be confirmed to drive for my third successive year with the team."

Hill, the test driver for two years before that, stepped up when Mansell left and last season, his first full appearance on the circuit, he won three times.

This time he has four wins, one resulting from Schumacher's disqualification after the Belgian Grand Prix, and now he will have Mansell as his partner for the European Grand Prix at Jerez on October 16, the Japanese Grand Prix on November 6 and the Australian Grand Prix a week later.

Williams, however, made it clear: "No further announcement regarding the 1995 driver line-up will be made until after the end of the 1995 season."

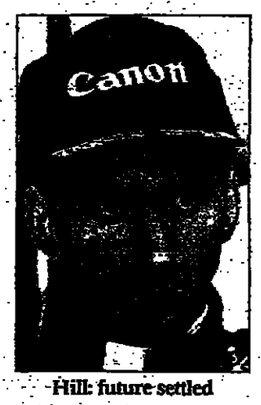
On Hill's future, Frank Williams said: "Everyone in the team is delighted Damon will be with us next year. Apart from winning seven races for us, he has made many other invaluable contributions towards the team both in and out of the car."

Hill's partner at the start of the season was Ayrton Senna, the three-times world champion, who was killed at San Marino in the third round of the season. David Coulthard stepped in — the exception was the French Grand Prix when Mansell made a 'guest' appearance — and will race his final grand prix of the season at Estoril.

Mansell won the IndyCar title with the Newman-Haas team last year but has yet to win a race this season, and has said he will not return to the circuit next year.

Mansell, who has said he has no plans to retire, has also been linked with possible drives for Lotus, Ferrari or Benetton next season, although none of the three possibilities is considered likely.

Schumacher has been unhappy to see his world championship lead whittled away but despite much speculation that he was seeking a change, the German driver has said he is 99 per cent certain to remain with the British-based Benetton team.



Hill: future settled

A memorial to Ayrton Senna will be unveiled at Estoril race track before the Portuguese Grand Prix on Sunday.

Senna spent a great deal of time in Portugal and won his first grand prix at Estoril in 1985. The marble monument will be put up near a bend bearing Senna's name and will bear an inscription echoing his own words about death.

The inscription reads: "When our last day has to come it will come. It will come."

Solving problems in the serious business of sport

Simon Wilde finds cricket and football hoping that unusual experiments will meet with some success

BALL games used to be governed by such simple, neat aims. All you had to do to beat your opponent was put a ball down a hole in fewer attempts, kick a ball into a goal more often, score a greater number of runs. These days, with competitors so highly trained and highly paid, the things that separate them are more finely drawn, as two bizarre announcements yesterday confirmed.

One of them emerged from the world of limited-overs cricket, an entertainment in any case designed to swing from one run, wicket and catch to the next. The other came from the world of football, an attempt to end the days of the reviled penalty shoot-out.

One-day cricket should be hit-and-giggle, cheer-today gone-from-the-mind-tomorrow stuff, but, when you put a lot of money at stake, participants, spectators and administrators are apt to take it more seriously. Look at the Benson and Hedges Cup and NatWest Trophy finals this season: both times, the teams that lost were forced to bat in difficult conditions and made nothing like enough runs.

It was worse in the NatWest Trophy, when the victims were Warwickshire, because they had shown themselves during the season to be the best team in the country and there was a feeling that they *ought* to have won. But for the toss of a coin, they would have completed a unique grand slam of county competitions. Now that is a serious matter, *everyone said*.

But help is now at hand. The Australians, who have always taken one-day cricket more seriously than the English, have come up with an imaginative solution to the long-standing problem of teams batting first having the worst of the pitch conditions. They have invented the *limited* limited-overs match.

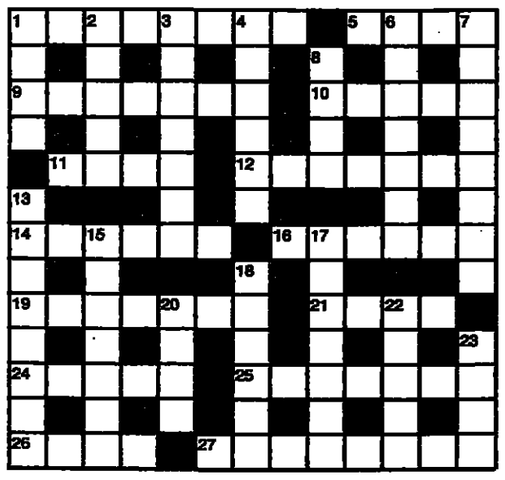
This is not such a simple idea. In a 50-overs match, Team A would bat *for 25 of its 50 overs before temporarily* halting its innings; Team B would then bat for 25 overs of its innings; Team A would then resume, and complete, its innings; and Team B would then do the same. This way, the argument goes, any early advantage to be gained from the pitch conditions would be more evenly spread between the teams.

The Australians have asked the Tasmanians to try out this formula for them in two non-competitive matches next month, against Queensland and a Newcastle Districts XI. There are no plans, as yet, to adopt the plan this winter in either the World Series Cup, in which England compete, or the one-day state competition. Tim Lamb, the Test and County Cricket Board's cricket secretary, said yesterday that the English authorities would be following the experiment with interest.

The second idea comes from the never simple world of the Auto Windscreens Shield, formerly the Autoglass Trophy, for second and third division football clubs. The Football League has proposed that teams level after 90 minutes in the competition's knock-out stages should not be separated by the now-reviled penalty shoot-out.

Instead, it suggests, each team shall shed one player for every five minutes of extra time played until, after 20 minutes of additional play, they have only seven players each. If the scores are still level, they will play on for ten minutes of sudden-death extra time. What could be more natural?





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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Summerhouse; sports ground structure (8)
5 Attempt; heavy ball (4)
9 Inquisitive (7)
10 A Great Lake (5)
11 Nothing (4)
12 Discourse learnedly (on) (7)
14 Toast; well-being (6)
16 City of Calvin (6)
19 Temporary stay (7)
21 Clan; month, briefly (4)
24 Relating to point where leaves branch from stem (5)
25 Relieving pain (7)
26 Kept obediently to (the line) (4)
27 Commit another crime (8)

DOWN
1 With due deference to; step (4)
2 Poetry; one or several lines of it (5)
3 Take care (4,3); observer (7)
4 Bivalve (6)
6 Hairy (7)
7 Unmusical (4-4)
8 Party disciplinarian (4)
13 Old joke (8)
15 Formally pronounce (7)
17 Press less hard (4,3)
18 Dangerous (of position) (6)
20 Dangerous (of customer) (4)
22 One to whom cheque made out (5)
23 Flower in wrong place (4)

SOLUTION TO NO 270

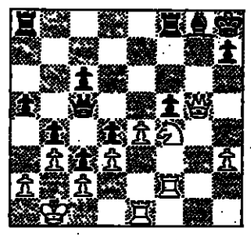
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DOWN: 1 Babylon 2 Ingot 3 Tan 4 Pallid 5 Common law 6 Entropy 7 Tudor 11 Turnstile 13 Tasting 15 Pungent 16 Friend 17 Loose 18 Drama 20 Cor

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Ivanchuk - Anand, Intel Grand Prix, London, 1994.
In this position, Ivanchuk found a clever quiet move that proved immediately decisive. Can you do as well?



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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

HOROPITO
a. A Mexican gambling game
b. A New Guinea magistrate
c. A New Zealand tree

KANGA
a. A large knife
b. A blanket
c. Indian corn

MAESTRIA
a. A Mediterranean wind
b. Glacial sediment
c. Skill

MOLALE
a. Molasses alcohol
b. A native Oregonian
c. A Roman siege machine

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